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PEMBROKESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL: LEADER'S CORONAVIRUS UPDATE, WEDNESDAY 25TH MARCH

Pembrokeshire County Council Leader, Councillor David Simpson, has provided a further coronavirus update for Wednesday 25th March, as follows:

'We continuing to put in place the necessary actions arising from the Prime Minister's announcement on Monday evening (23rd March) including today:

- the suspension of all but essential safety maintenance works on our highway network. Operatives will be called to attend to any emergency work or urgent repairs
- parks and gardens remain open but with signage proposed to highlight 'no gatherings'
- playgrounds, sports grounds and pitches are closing
- forty-seven of our 68 public toilets will be closed. Only 21 will remain open.

'I want to stress again that you should stay at home, except for essential activities

'We will be taking steps to ensure that our own staff - or those working for us - who need to be in their workplace or helping in the community as key workers, will possess the necessary identification to confirm their status.

'Press releases issued since my message yesterday are:

- Waste and Recycling Centres Close but Kerbside Collections Continue: <https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/newsroom/waste-and-recycling-centres-close-but-kerbside-collections-continue>
- Pembrokeshire Business Advice: <https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/newsroom/pembrokeshire-business-advice-covid-19>
- Pembrokeshire Registration Service: Important Information: <https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/newsroom/pembrokeshire-registration-service-important-information>

- Rights of Way Stay Open But Remain Under Review:
<https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/newsroom/rights-of-way-stay-open-but-remain-under-review>
- How To Access Help or Volunteer To Help Others:
<https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/newsroom/coronavirus-how-to-access-help-or-volunteer-to-help-others>

'The more general updates I want to highlight today are:

- I am aware there is significant discussion taking place about construction sites. There is a mixed message but at this time all non-urgent Council works have been suspended and sites made safe/closed
- a briefing was issued to all County Councillors earlier today on the matter of establishing a co-ordinated community response and a press release has also be issued
- a range of information and advice has been issued for local businesses in light of the coronavirus pandemic and a press release issued.'

Useful links:

- www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/coronavirus
- www.sir-benfro.gov.uk/coronafeirws
- <https://phw.nhs.wales/>
- [lechydd Cyhoeddus Cymru - Coronafeirws Newydd \(COVID-19\) - Cyngor hunan-ynysu](http://lechydd Cyhoeddus Cymru - Coronafeirws Newydd (COVID-19) - Cyngor hunan-ynysu)
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-guidance>

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<http://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk>