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## **PEMBROKESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL: LEADER'S CORONAVIRUS UPDATE, FRIDAY, 24TH APRIL**

Pembrokeshire County Council Leader, Councillor David Simpson, has provided a further coronavirus update for Friday, 24th April, as follows:

'Another week has passed and we have all managed to deal with the extended lockdown. I appreciate that at times adjusting to the lockdown is difficult but we need to continue to ensure we protect lives.

'From tomorrow (Saturday) the stay-at-home regulations will be revised in Wales to continue to prevent the spread of coronavirus.

'The Welsh Government is changing the core requirement for people not to leave the place where they live to a requirement not to leave, or remain away, from that place.

'This will help clarify that people who leave their home with a reasonable excuse – such as going out to shop for food, for healthcare or for work – cannot remain outside to do other things.

'There are some new arrangements that allow people with particular health conditions or disabilities to leave home to exercise more than once a day. This will assist families with children with learning disabilities and autism in particular.

'It is vitally important that we all continue to adhere to the advice and stay at home.

'I want to thank our housing services team who are busy engaging with our tenants on a daily basis to ensure that all their needs are met. They are also linking tenants into our Community Hub. This is a huge undertaking and I want to thank them all

'This is a great opportunity to spend time doing your garden. Turning over the soil with a garden fork is great exercise while in lockdown. I understand gardens across the county are looking amazing so well done everyone, keep going.

'I am aware there is talk about when we will be allowed to get back to normal. However, now is not the time to start going out.

'When we do get back to everyday life we will all look back at this phase of life as a huge part of our history and we will be able to reflect on what we all did to help prevent the spread of the virus. Please prevent the spread of this virus by staying at home.

'Press releases issued since my last update yesterday are:

- Broadband Project's Vital Role in Recovery:  
<https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/newsroom/broadband-project-to-play-vital-role-in-coronavirus-recovery>
- Online Learning Resources For Pupils:  
<https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/newsroom/teachers-create-online-learning-resource-for-pembrokeshire-pupils>
- Appeal To Residents as Complaints Rise:  
<https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/resident>

'Public Health Wales is updating and adding to their resources regularly. Please find all assets here:

<https://phw.nhs.wales/topics/latest-information-on-novel-coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-resources/>

'Also, please keep an eye on our newsroom at:

<https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/newsroom>

'And to get daily email updates, log onto our website and sign into My Account at:

<https://myaccount.pembrokeshire.gov.uk>

'Thank you.'

Useful links:

- [www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/coronavirus)
- [www.sir-benfro.gov.uk/coronafeirws](http://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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