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Dear Steve,

Thank you for your email to the First Minister, I have been asked to reply.

I am sorry for the delay in replying which I am sure you will understand has been caused by an unprecedented volume of correspondence during the current public health crisis.

Since you wrote, you will be aware that things have moved on and we were able to lift the 5 mile "stay local" limit and organised outdoor activities were able to resume from 13 July.

All outdoor sport and leisure facilities are now allowed to be open. The operators of these grounds and facilities must take [all reasonable measures to manage risk and maintain physical distancing](https://gov.wales/coronavirus-regulations-guidance#section-39253). Guidance on sport and outdoor activity is available on our website; <https://gov.wales/coronavirus-regulations-guidance#section-39253>

The purpose of requiring all reasonable measures to be taken to maintain 2 metres distance between people is to minimise the risk of exposure to the coronavirus. In terms of 2 metres, that remains the default position but it is recognised that in some circumstances, that will not be possible but everything possible should be done to implement mitigating measures. Protocols and guidance on re-opening safely were published to the sectors on 29 June [Visitor Economy guidance](#).

Whilst this continues to be a very difficult and challenging time for our tourism and hospitality businesses, our package of support to the industry is the most generous in the UK, particularly through our bespoke Economic Resilience Fund.

However, we are aware of some funding gaps, but in addition to ERF many businesses have been able to access support including:

- Business Rates Relief Scheme
- Self Employed Income Support
- Job Retention Scheme
- Bounce Back Loans

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

The measures we have taken are in addition to that of the UK Government. This next phase will reach businesses that have yet to receive funding, but we know it won't reach all. We are proactively working with our partners on further options.

Our Business Wales website is regularly up-dated so please refer to the website for further updates <https://businesswales.gov.wales/coronavirus-advice>

Thank you for writing to us.

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