### The Financial Support Available During COVID-19 and Beyond - Webinar from Crunch.





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# Agenda

- Main government support schemes available to businesses
- Other government support
- Coming out of lockdown
- Useful resources

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| Name of Scheme                                     | Sole Traders/<br>Partnerships | LTD<br>Co. | Can you still get support?  | Ends                  |
|--|-------------------------------|------------|---|-----------------------|
| CJRS - Furlough scheme                             | No                            | Yes        | Yes - for existing claims for pay periods to 31 October 2020<br>Extended CJRS for new and existing claims from 1 November 2020                      | 31/03/21              |
| Job Support Scheme                                 | No                            | Yes        | Scheme due to open when CJRS closes   | tbc                   |
| Self-Employment Income<br>Support Scheme (SEISS)   | Yes                           | No         | Tranche 1 and 2 closed. Third tranche available for period 1<br>November 2020 to 31 January 2021. Fourth tranche 1 February to<br>30 April 2021 TBC | Planned<br>30/4/2021  |
| Bounce Back Loans                                  | Yes                           | Yes        | Yes - including top up loans  | 31/01/21              |
| Coronavirus Business<br>Interruption Loans (CBILS) | Yes                           | Yes        | Yes   | 31/01/21              |
| Delay to VAT payments                              | Yes                           | Yes        | No - deferral was for payments from March - June  | Already finished      |
| Delaying Company Accounts                          | No                            | Yes        | Yes - apply to Companies House  | No end date           |
| Statutory Sick Pay (SSP)<br>Rebate for employers   | Yes                           | Yes        | Yes   | No end date           |
| Delay to Self Assessment<br>Payment on Account     | Yes                           | Yes        | Yes - July 31st payments could be deferred - extra 12 months time to pay available  | Repayment by 31/01/21 |
| Universal Credit                                   | Yes                           | Yes        | Yes - Increased support available   | No end date           |
| Mortgage and Loan Payment<br>Holidays              | Yes                           | Yes        | Yes, for up to six months - approach your lender  | tbc                   |

### Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme - after 1/11/20

Extended CJRS, commonly known as the Furlough Scheme, it is a taxable grant - not repayable.

| Who's it for? | Employers with Employees (including Itd company directors) on PAYE  |
|---------------|---|
| Amount        | Government pays up to 80% of employee wages per month, capped at £2,500   |
| Terms         | Must have submitted payroll (RTI filed with HMRC) between 20/03/20 to 30/10/20<br>November 2020 - March 2021 - Full-time or flexible furlough available<br>Employers only pay Employers National Insurance + Pensions contributions<br>Employers should claim each month<br>(Grant can be claimed from 11/11/20. November claim <u>must be submitted by 14/12/20</u> .<br>Subsequent monthly claims must be made within 14 calendar days of month end)<br>Can re-employ and furlough employees who were on payroll but made redundant after 23/9/20 |



### Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme - before 1/11/20

Outgoing CJRS, commonly known as the Furlough Scheme, it is a taxable grant - not repayable.

| Who's it for? | Employees (including Itd company directors) on PAYE before 19/3/20.<br>Scheme now ended for pay periods up to 31 October, claims close 30 November 2020  |
|---------------|--|
| Amount        | October, Govt. pays up to 60% of employee wages per month, capped at £1,875.   |
| Terms         | Closed to new claims - only previously furloughed employees (including those on payroll at 23/09/20 but made redundant after) can continue to be furloughed or re-furloughed July - Flexible Furlough<br>August - Employers National Insurance + Pensions contributions<br>September - 10% of furloughed salary + Employers National Insurance + Pensions<br>October - 20% of furloughed salary + Employers National Insurance + Pensions<br>Final claim must be made by 30/11/20<br>Job Retention Bonus of £1,000 previously announced has been suspended |



## Self-Employment Income Support Scheme

SEISS is a taxable grant based on average self-employed trading profits - in multiple 'tranches'

| Who's it for? | Self-employed (Sole Trader or Partnership - NOT Limited Companies)   |  |
|---------------|--|--|
| Amount        | Third grant - 80% of average profits capped at £7,500 for 3 months.  |  |
| Terms         | You must have submitted your 2018/19 Self Assessment<br>Profits must be less than £50,000 and be more than 50% of your total income.<br>No support for newly self-employed in 2019/20 tax year.<br>First grant - up to 80% capped at £7,500 closed 13/07/20<br>Second grant - up to 70% capped at £6,570 closed 19/10/20<br>Third grant - Claims open from 30th November 2020<br>Fourth grant - Level of grant to be confirmed |  |



### **Coronavirus Job Support Scheme - Open Businesses**

Replacement for the Furlough Scheme, it is a taxable grant - not repayable.

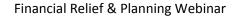
| Who's it for? | r? Employees (including ltd company directors)   |  |  |  |  |
|---------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Amount        | Employee works minimum 20%, gets paid 73% of total wages. Government contributes 61.67% of hours not worked, capped at £1,541.75 per month   |  |  |  |  |
| Terms         | <ul> <li>Employee must work a minimum 20% of usual hours</li> <li>For unworked hours, employee is paid <sup>3</sup>/<sub>3</sub> of usual salary</li> <li>Employer contributes 5% of unworked hours</li> <li>Government contributes 61.67% of unworked hours</li> <li>Ability to hop on and off scheme with a minimum of 7 working days</li> <li>Employer pays NI &amp; pension (plus whatever they've actually worked)</li> </ul> |  |  |  |  |



### **Coronavirus Job Support Scheme - Closed Businesses**

Replacement for the Furlough Scheme, it is a taxable grant - not repayable.

| Who's it for? | Employees (including ltd company directors)   |  |
|---------------|---|--|
| Amount        | Employee gets $\frac{2}{3}$ of normal salary capped at £2,100 per month   |  |
| Terms         | <ul> <li>Businesses legally required to close</li> <li>Employer pays up to <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> of normal salary, capped at £2,100 per month</li> <li>Employer recovers paid salary from government</li> <li>Employer pays NI &amp; pension</li> </ul> |  |



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## Loan schemes

Either the Bounce Back Loan or the Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme (CBILS)

| Who's it for? | Both schemes available to almost any UK small or medium business (SME)   |
|---------------|--|
| Amount        | Loans between £2,000 and £5 million  |
| Terms         | <ul> <li>Bounceback Loan - between £2,000 and 25% of turnover capped at £50,000</li> <li>Repayable over ten years</li> <li>100% Government backed with no interest or repayments for first 12 months, then rate set at 2.5% a year.</li> <li>You can top up an existing BBL if you've not taken the maximum.</li> <li>Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme (CBILS)</li> <li>80% government backed loans and other finance up to £5 million, no interest or fees in first year. It can be harder to access funds as needs commercial underwriting</li> </ul> |



## Other support available

- Grants for businesses with premises
  - Original grants (in March 2020) should have been made to eligible businesses by now
  - New grants (ENGLAND) to businesses legally required to close after 1st November 2020. If rateable value:
    - Equal to or less than £15,000 = £1,334 per month
    - f15,001 to £50,999 = £2,000 per month
    - £51,000 or more = £3,000 per month
  - New grants (ENGLAND) to businesses under local restrictions (Tier 2). If rateable value:
    - Equal to or less than £15,000 = £934 per month
    - £15,001 to £50,999 = £1,400 per month
    - £51,000 or more = £2,100 per month
  - Backdated cash grants for those in hospitality, leisure and accommodation if in Tier 2 or 3 between 01/08/20 to 05/11/2020

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# Other support available

- Delay to VAT payment option to now pay in smaller interest free payment during 21/22 tax year
- VAT rate reduced for hospitality and tourism industry (Automatic from 15/7/20 to 31/03/21)
- Delaying Company Accounts filing (automatic) or Corporation Tax payments (on request)
- Extended Time to Pay payment period available for Self Assessment including Payment on Account
- Universal Credit increased amount and Minimum Income Floor suspended till April 2021
- Mortgage & Loan payment holidays & Stamp Duty changes (<£500k until March 2021)





# Other support available (continued)

- SSP rebate for employers
- Kickstart scheme grant funding up to £6,500 per young person (16 24)
- Apprentice payment £2,000
- £500 support for those testing positive for Covid and isolating if they are on a low income England
- Use the online tool at: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/business-coronavirus-support-finder">https://www.gov.uk/business-coronavirus-support-finder</a> to see what is available to you

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# Cashflow forecasting and cost control

- We have a free <u>cashflow forecasting spreadsheet template</u>
- Enter all of the business income and outgoings and predict your bank balance
- Ensure your business will have enough cash to function
- See whether there are any outgoings you can delay
- Are you able to shop around or find cheaper suppliers?
- Are there costs you can do without?



## Next phase

- Accounting for any grants or loans received
- Keeping on top of your cash flow
- Working from Home
- Preparing for future shocks business continuity
- Businesses with losses

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## **Useful resources**

- **Gov.uk** Access Government support directly
- <u>https://www.crunch.co.uk/covid-19-support/</u> Additional guides and this webinar recording
- Crunch resources:
  - <u>CJRS guide for employers</u>
  - Bounce Back Loan guide
  - <u>Self-employment Income Support Scheme guide</u>
  - Cashflow forecasting and what to do in an emergency
  - Business continuity plan

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