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Dear Member

Please kindly see below **the EBN Cobra update held today**, from Kris: ::: ::: ::: :::

Dear Member,

Mark and I attended the latest COBR meeting today and we wanted to give you an update. It is much shorter than previous ones, which shows that the "crisis" phase has now moved to a more implementation and look to the future. Please see the attached Action log from the previous meeting that we were all updating on.

## **Claremont Road Closure**

An agreement has now been reached between the insurance companies for the Claremont and Burlington, which means the demolition teams have started back to work. There are various structural works that need to be undertaken to ensure the Burlington is safe. There is an estimate of 2 weeks for this to happen.

## **Business Rate Grants**

To date, £14,575,000 has been applied for and £13,465,000 been paid. If you haven't already applied for the grant then you can do so by <u>clicking here</u>. Another piece of good news is that if anyone is in the process of challenging their business rates, which results in your business falling under the £51,000 threshold, you will be eligible for the grant. This was a local authority discretion, so we are delighted to have that win.

## **Trading Standards and Environmental Health**

It was noted that the police and the council are monitoring businesses who are not following the government directions in relation to social distancing and the lockdown. Referrals are being made to Trading Standards and Environmental Health to follow up and make enforcements if necessary.

Please take note that your property should only be open and accepting people who are key workers or NHS members of staff. This should also be prominently stated on your selling platforms.

## **Eastbourne Recovery**

The Eastbourne Recovery group has been set up, which will involve key stakeholders from across the town and the EHA will be part of that. The focus of today's meeting was very much about moving into the recovery planning stage and putting all the resource from across the town and the council behind it. More details will follow in the coming weeks.

We have now specific sub groups set up to move forward in various areas, from business, insurance, to social and community. As such it has been decided that we **will now hold bi-weekly COBR meetings** in order for progress to be made in those areas.

With best wishes

Kristian

Take care & kind regards

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