

## CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

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The Prime Minister recently [announced](#):

- A ban on Australians travelling overseas
- Further clarification on the measures that were announced on Sunday night in terms of closures of places of mass gatherings
- Additional prohibited activities that applied from midday yesterday ([see the full list here](#)).

The council elections scheduled for this Saturday will be going ahead. If you have not already voted and have concerns about voting in person you are now able to do this over the phone.

Click here for more details [Electoral Commission Qld](#)

Australian banks defer repayments for [small business](#).

## Latest news from the Qld State Government

The Palaszczuk Government have announced a \$4 billion economic relief package. It includes payroll tax refunds and a payroll tax holiday, energy and rent support and assistance for workers who have been displaced by this crisis.

This latest announcement builds on their initial industry support package and their \$500 million loan fund which has already received 8,000 expressions of interest.

They have also established our small business support hotline: 1300 654 687 which provides one on one support and advice for businesses.

Further information about all the support that is available can be found on their website [www.business.qld.gov.au](http://www.business.qld.gov.au) and on this [factsheet](#).

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## Australian banks defer repayments for small business

If you're dealing with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic there are practical ways your bank can help. The type of assistance will depend on individual circumstances.

Find out more



## Early access to superannuation

The Government is allowing individuals affected by the Coronavirus to access up to \$10,000 of their superannuation in 2019-20



## Income Support for Individuals

The Government is providing support for individuals to assist them during the next six months.



## Temporary relief for financially distressed businesses

This safety net will lessen the threat of actions that could unnecessarily push businesses into insolvency

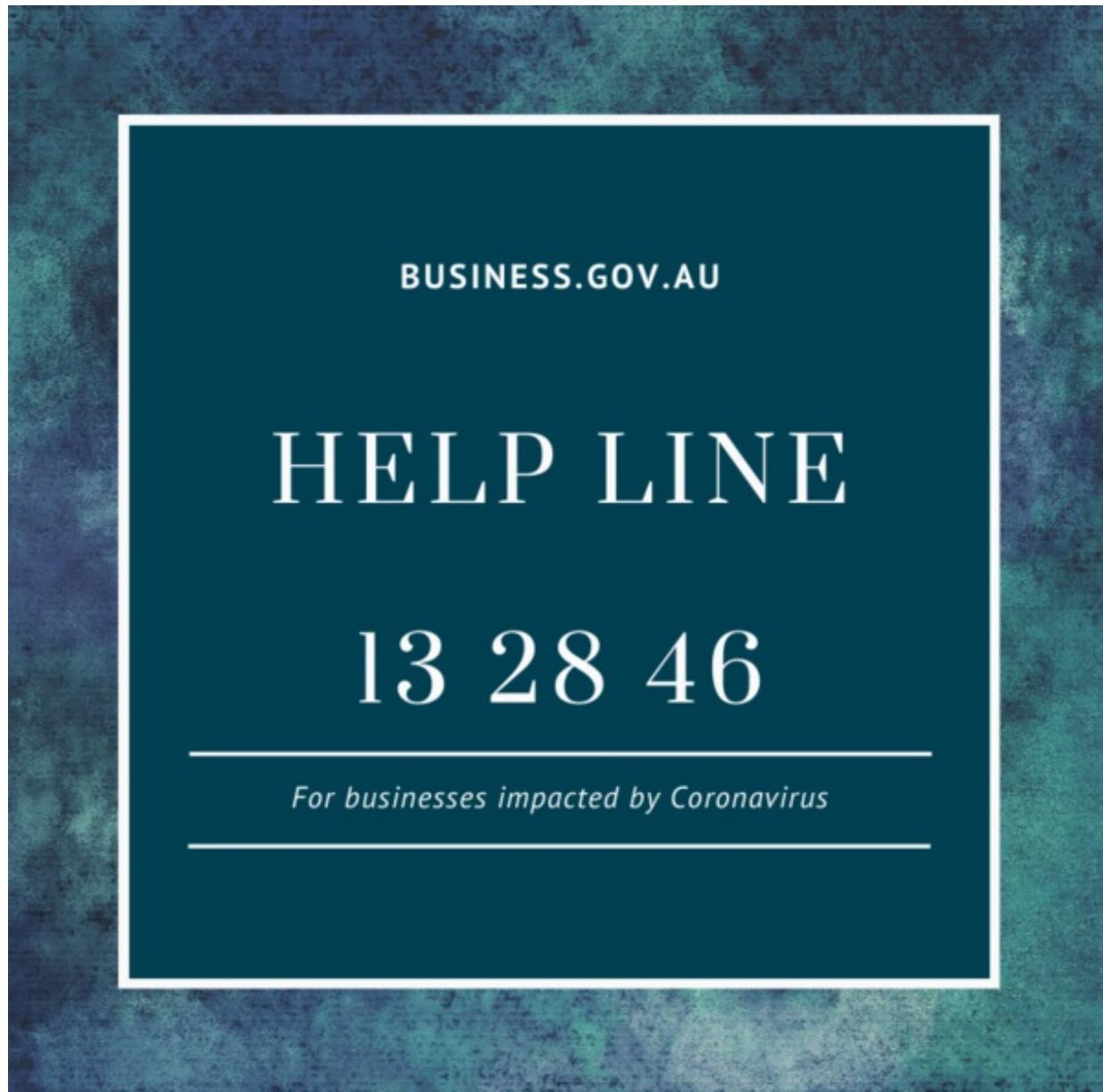
and a further \$10,000 in 2020-21.

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and force the winding up of business.

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## Helpline for Small Businesses impacted by COVID-19

Operations at the [www.business.gov.au](http://www.business.gov.au) Contact Centre has increased from five days per week to seven days per week, and will provide an additional two hours a day of support outside standard operating hours, answering calls from 11.00am to 11.00pm AEST.

Support for business in Australia



## Sunshine Coast Council Coronavirus - 26 March 2020

As our region continues to experience the impacts of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, ensuring our community is safe and complying with national public health directions remains the number one priority of Sunshine Coast Council and the Local Disaster Management Group.

Council COVID-19 Update



## Links to all the latest from Noosa Council

Please find below the latest update on Business Support and COVID-19 from Noosa Council.

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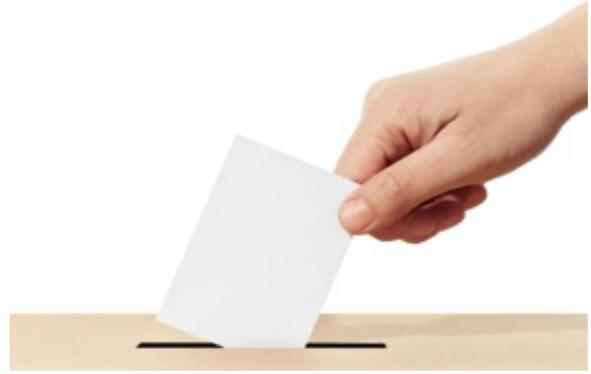
Business and COVID-19

## REMINDER - Local elections this weekend

Voting is going ahead. If you are unable to vote for health reasons please refer to the Electoral Commission for information on what you can do or call

1300 881 665 for more information.

[Find out more](#)



## Current Health Advice from the Department of Health

The latest information about COVID-19 is available on the Department of Health's website, including a number of fact sheets and resources for the public.

[Latest Health  
Information](#)



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