

East Dunbartonshire Economic Recovery Plan 2020

Economic impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic

Business

13,300 jobs were furloughed in East Dunbartonshire in July 2020. There were 1,419 COVID-19 Business Support Fund grant applications, amounting to £12,747,500 for East Dunbartonshire businesses.

People

The number of East Dunbartonshire households on Universal Credit in May 2020 (4,739) was more than double the figure for May 2019 (2,294).

Community

Football counts in Bearsden, Bishopbriggs, Kirkintilloch and Milngavie town centres all saw a reduction during lockdown and are recovering at different rates.

Environment

Active travel increased during lockdown, and car usage temporarily decreased, but by August 2020, traffic levels in East Dunbartonshire were at 90% of usual levels.

Actions for Economic Recovery



Next Steps

Further research is ongoing to monitor the impact of COVID-19 on sectors, businesses and employment in East Dunbartonshire through:

- Analysing economic data as it becomes available.
- Liaising with Employability Service, EDEP partners and the local business community to understand key areas of likely unemployment.
- Gathering targeted data to understand the impact on local sectors, town centres and travel behaviours.

Get Involved

Survey

The Council would like to hear from East Dunbartonshire businesses, employees and residents on your experiences of the economic impact of COVID-19. Please tell us your views using the [online survey](#).

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