

**BERA E-NEWSLETTER 12<sup>th</sup> July 2020 – [www.bera.co.uk](http://www.bera.co.uk)**

Dear Member

Please see below today's update.

Keep well,

Regards

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**Summary of the Government Announcements, 12 July 2020**

DEFRA has published guidance for councils on [how to distribute and administer their allocation of the Local Authority Emergency Assistance Grant for Food and Essential Supplies](#)

The reopening [High Streets Safely Fund FAQ](#) has been updated to reflect latest positions and developments.

The [guidance for the safe use of places of worship](#) during the pandemic was yesterday updated to include information on singing, chanting and the use of musical instruments.

The [guidance for parents and carers of children](#) attending community activities, holiday or after-school clubs, tuition and other out-of-school settings has been updated:

- Children will be able to attend all types of dance classes. Also, that clubs and activities for children will only be able to operate in those premises legally able to open.

The FCO has updated its global advisory against 'all but essential' travel, exempting [destinations that no longer pose an unacceptably high risk](#) for British travellers.

[New changes have been made to the planning system](#) to save theatres, concert halls and live music performance venues for future generations:

- Councils will need to take the temporary impact of coronavirus into account when considering permission for change of use, redevelopment or demolition of a theatre, concert hall or live music performance venue.

### Beach Guidance

New guidance has been published which brings together guidance from across government. It is aimed at supporting the owners and operators of beach, countryside and coastal destinations in meeting the challenges associated with increased visitors during the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Examples are provided below which aim to illustrate how local areas have chosen to adapt their individual local experiences.