

## ANNEX A

**From:** [REDACTED] On Behalf Of Neil A (Alex), MSP  
**Sent:** 15 October 2020 14:29  
**To:** First Minister  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]@[REDACTED].com  
**Subject:** FW: Scottish restrictions for salons  
**Importance:** High

Dear Nicola,

Please see the below email from my constituent [REDACTED] concerning Covid restrictions on salons, specifically regarding facial treatments.

I would appreciate it if you could please advise regarding the points she has raised about the current restrictions and the impact on her business.

Yours sincerely,

Alex Neil MSP

**From:** [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@[REDACTED].com>  
**Sent:** 14 October 2020 15:04  
**To:** Neil A (Alex), MSP <Alex.Neil.msp@parliament.scot>  
**Subject:** Scottish restrictions for salons

Dear Alex,

I had called last week and left a voicemail to speak to someone with regards to the restrictions in Scotland.

I have a salon with my hairdresser friend, I have a business that provides specialist skin treatments. I am not a beauty therapist, I am an aesthetician.

I am emailing you regarding some correspondence I received from north Lanarkshire's environmental health, apparently no one should be carrying out ANY treatment/procedure on the face that involves the removal of a clients face covering. I am failing to see the reasoning behind this. Especially when England therapists have been carrying out all facial treatments since they got the green light back to work.

As you can imagine my hygiene is impeccable at the best of times, without covid, so I didn't have to apply much more procedures when we went back to work after lockdown. I work predominantly behind the face and sometimes at the side, however, never in "the high risk" category. I have a strict one in one out policy, which

hasn't change for covid. I change all PPE after every client, I wear a mask and a visor when I'm with a client.

I am wondering if there is anything you can do to help us get back to work doing ALL facial treatments, as this is 80% of my business. I am not entitled to a penny from the government & I haven't been through the whole of this.

The personal services industry reached £8.6 Billion in 2019, I dread to think what the figure is for 2020 and our future years ahead. This is a thriving industry and we should be allowed to carry out our treatments. Do you know how many positive tests have come from salons?

Does the virus get worse when it crosses the border to Scotland? We aren't staying very united and it's all VERY confusing and contradicting.

I will also be contacting the regional Msp's and hoping to get a petition to parliament.

I look forward to hearing from you soon,

**[REDACTED]**

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## ANNEX B

**From:** Lyle R (Richard), MSP <Richard.Lyle.msp@parliament.scot>  
**Sent:** 31 July 2020 11:28  
**To:** First Minister <firstminister@gov.scot>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@scotlandsthemepark.com>  
**Subject:** FW: information

Dear First Minister

Thank you once again for your announcement re the opening date for Funfairs in Scotland.

I enclose an email from M&Ds located in Strathclyde Park in my Constituency, you will remember that you visited this Theme park in 2015.

M&Ds to my mind rightly ask if they can open now similar other attractions like a Zoo or a Safari Park.

They employ between 150-200 people and I would request that you give consideration for them to be classed as the same as other attractions which are now open.

They would of course follow the current Covid19 policy re attractions.

I await your reply

Richard

**From:** [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@scotlandsthemepark.com>  
**Sent:** 31 July 2020 11:12  
**To:** Lyle R (Richard), MSP <Richard.Lyle.msp@parliament.scot>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@hotmail.co.uk>  
**Subject:** information

Good Morning Richard.

With regards to yesterday's announcement we seek clarification on the recent guidelines, we have operated Scotland's Theme Park for over 24years and we have marketed this business as a local visitor attraction and have won the Visitor Attraction Lanarkshire Award within the past seasons.

Our attraction tourism brown location signs on both the M8 and the M74 state Scotland's Theme Park, not a local funfair attraction. On this complex we have a number of attractions, Amazonia Tropical Indoor Rainforest, Theme Park, Family Entertainment Complex, American Pool and Snooker, Glow in the Dark Bowling to name but a few.

We do not believe the attractions we have on site would be found on any local or travelling funfair thus confirming that we are a Theme Park with all relevant paperwork to support this.

We can also confirm that local tourist attractions such as Blair Drummond, Five Sisters Zoo and Landmark to name but a few, all have riding devices within their locations and are operating to the public.

Best regards

**[REDACTED]**

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## ANNEX C

**From:** Lyle R (Richard), MSP <Richard.Lyle.msp@parliament.scot>  
**Sent:** 20 August 2020 10:33  
**To:** First Minister <firstminister@gov.scot>  
**Cc:** Ewing F (Fergus), MSP <Fergus.Ewing.msp@parliament.scot>; Cunningham R (Roseanna), MSP <Roseanna.Cunningham.msp@parliament.scot>; Kate Forbes <kate.forbes.msp@parliament.scot>  
**Subject:** FW: [REDACTED] member of Showmans Guild

First Minister

Here again is an example (EMAIL BELOW) of the effect that the TOTAL CLOSURE of Funfairs is having.

Showmen want to work but have been not allowed to since last March and may not even begin to earn till next March, a year of NO INCOME.

I have asked in numerous letters for the Government to allocate a fund that they can access as ALL the other funds which they have tried to apply for have TURNED THEM DOWN. Some have also been refused bounce back loans because they do not have a history of arrears at this present time.

Their capital has now been exhausted and their Mental Health is now at breaking point. They need someone to listen.

Simply and I make no apology for saying this, I need government to listen to my plea, every day nearly I see funds being granted to various groups and organisations but nothing for Showpeople. Why is that I ask?

We have stopped them working so we should at least help them through this.

I sincerely request a fund for Showpeople NOW.

Richard Lyle MSP  
Convener Scottish Section Showmen Cross Party Group

**From:** [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@googlemail.com>  
**Sent:** 20 August 2020 10:12  
**To:** Lyle R (Richard), MSP <Richard.Lyle.msp@parliament.scot>  
**Cc:** McKelvie C (Christina), MSP <Christina.McKelvie.msp@parliament.scot>  
**Subject:** [REDACTED] member of Showmans Guild

Dear MSP

I am asking for help in the re-opening of funfairs or financial help for business.

As myself and my family cannot take this burden any longer. I feel that this is discriminative towards my culture. I'm the Fifth generation of my family to be a

Showman. At this point bankruptcy is looming for me and my family. We have a mortgage to pay and finance for various equipment again that has a catastrophic effect on my mental health.

Please could I have some assistance.

Kind regards **[REDACTED]**

## ANNEX D

**From:** Macpherson B (Ben), MSP <Ben.Macpherson.msp@parliament.scot>  
**Sent:** 07 September 2020 21:43  
**To:** First Minister <firstminister@gov.scot>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@parliament.scot>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@Parliament.scot>; Bowman K (Katy) <Katy.Bowman@gov.scot>; Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Fair Work and Culture <CabSecEFWC@gov.scot>; Cabinet Secretary for Justice <CabSecJustice@gov.scot>  
**Subject:** Commercial Production | Quarantine Exemptions | [REDACTED], Leith

Dear First Minister,

I am writing in my capacity as constituency MSP for Edinburgh Northern and Leith on behalf of [REDACTED] located in my constituency.

I am writing to you because you visited [REDACTED] in May 2017 and because this issue covers the Economy, Culture, Justice and Health portfolios. It relates to commercial production and the quarantine exemptions.

The commercial production industry is a growing sector and [REDACTED] are at the forefront of that. To me it seems unfair that the current quarantine exemption only applies to feature films and TV programmes and does not currently include commercial television etc. production. I would be grateful if this could be reviewed as part of the ongoing analysis of the quarantine regulations? This would provide a vital boost at an important time when the industry is trying to compete internationally and maintain productive capacity.

I attach a thoughtful, informative and constructive letter from [REDACTED], that sets out the issues in details. I would be grateful if this letter could be carefully considered. I would also be grateful for a response or a Cabinet Secretary response.

**[See 'Supporting Document 2 – Annex D Attachment' for the letter]**

I highlight the following paragraphs in particular.

On the situation:

*"[REDACTED] were thrilled to hear about the proposed exemption of the production industry from self-isolation requirements and it was viewed as a much-needed kick-start to recovery of our international business. However, we were disappointed to learn that the exemption only applies to feature films and TV programmes and does not currently include commercial production. Though we are fortunate to have some domestic business, [REDACTED] of our business is typically international. Key markets for us include the US, France, Germany and Sweden to name a few. With many other production hubs around the world facing greater uncertainty than the UK does currently there is, more than ever, great international opportunity. However, at present, anyone traveling into the UK to work on a commercial production is not exempt from quarantine in the same way that those working on film or TV productions would be. This is causing [REDACTED] and all other production companies to lose business, with international commercial production either choosing to shoot elsewhere or postponing or cancelling the shoot entirely."*

On the health of the industry and its potential to grow:

*“[REDACTED – Out of Scope]”*

Many thanks.

Best regards,

Ben