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The webinar will have a panel of expert speakers, including Ilford BID manager Cyril Bekoe (center)

Expert webinar to help support businesses in challenging times

As October and winter draw near, businesses are expressing concerns about what the future holds. To address these concerns and build a road map to navigate the future together through communication and collaboration, the Ilford **BID and Work Redbridge** have partnered for a joint virtual business recovery webinar.

The session will be opened by leader Cllr. Jas Athwal and the aim of the webinar is to provide businesses in Redbridge an avenue of support, as they work with COVID-19 in the new normal.

The expert panellist will be speaking to attendees about the following topics:

- Apprenticeship and kick start scheme
- · Redundancy and employment
- · Furlough and job retention bonus scheme · Working safely during
- COVID-19 and social distancing measures · Managing the return of customers and employees
- to the transportation network
- · VAT and tax deferral scheme

- · Maintaining an online
- Mental health and wellbeing
- · Grant support

The panel is made up of experts from Transport for London, the London Growth Hub, Work Redbridge, Attain 360, Wilkin Chapman Business Solutions, Churchill Tax Advisers, Ian Travers Ltd., Kenson Civils and Highways, Pegasus HR and Mates in Mind.

The webinar will take place on September 24, 2020, from 11 am to 12.30 pm.

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Three expert panellists taking part in the business recovery webinar

Michela Bernasconi, project manager at London **Growth Hub**

Michela is responsible for managing a project aimed at supporting London SMEs to sustain and grow their business. Prior to this she was a regional adviser for the One Public Estate programme, which was aimed at freeing up public sector land to help deliver more integrated public services, land for housing and regeneration schemes across the UK.

Gary Dursley, economic development officer at **Work Redbridge**

Gary is experienced in working with businesses to support them with their recruitment and training needs. He has worked with both SME's and larger organisations in Redbridge and the surrounding boroughs. He works in partnership with local colleges and training providers to assist employers with hiring apprentices.

Stephen Haynes, head of programme for the charity Mates in Mind

Stephen is a specialist in workplace health and wellbeing programmes and co-founder of the C3 Workplace Health Movement. He is also an advisor to the Mayor of London's Healthy Workplace Charter as well as an assessor of London based organisations, examining and advising on the Healthy Workplace Charter standards.



How local organisations have dealt with the impact of COVID-19?

11.00am Intro / Welcome / late-joiners

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11:05am Host Introduction: Cyril Bekoe, Ilford BID, Ed Baker, Career Camp

11:10 am View from the Local Authority, Leader, Cllr Jas Athwal



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