

Chambers Ireland asks	Measure introduced by Government?
<b>Tax Deferrals (VAT, PAYE, PRSI)</b>	
Deferral of income tax payments	Yes
Deferral of VAT payments	Yes
Spread tax liability, from TWSS, of employees across 1-2 years, rather than in lump sums	Awaiting verification in “July Stimulus” package, pending Government formation
<b>Redundancy Payments</b>	
Deferral of redundancy entitlement payments from the end of May to 10th August	Yes
<b>Commercial Rates</b>	
Waiver for businesses who have closed	Yes- in part for 3 months
Extend the waiver beyond 3 months to a full year	Awaiting verification in “July Stimulus” package, pending Government formation
Expand scope of waiver so that impacted businesses, would be eligible. Criteria should also include a 25% decline in turnover as a test for eligibility, as is the case with the TWSS.	Awaiting verification in “July Stimulus” package, pending Government formation
Replace funding lost to Local Authorities with Exchequer funding	Yes- so far
<b>Oireachtas COVID-19 Committee</b>	
Called for the establishment of a special cross-party Oireachtas committee on COVID-19, similar to that which has been established in the Northern Ireland Assembly.	Yes
<b>Temporary Wage Subsidy Scheme</b>	
Continuation of the TWSS beyond the initial 12 weeks	Yes - retained until the end of August
Inclusion of workers in the Scheme who were on parental/maternity leave pre-COVID-19	Yes - Revenue has agreed that this provision will be implemented retrospectively from 26 March for employees who were retained on payroll by their employers.
More flexible income supports, like the TWSS, for self-employed people	Awaiting verification in “July Stimulus” package, pending Government formation
Inclusion of over 66's in the scheme	Awaiting verification in “July Stimulus” package, pending Government formation
Reform of TWSS so that new applicants are eligible and new/replacement staff can be hired	Awaiting verification in “July Stimulus” package, pending Government formation

Enable a self-declaration system for part-time workers to avail of the TWSS, such that employers are not financially penalised for increasing an employee's hours	Awaiting verification in "July Stimulus" package, pending Government formation
<b><i>Pandemic Unemployment Scheme</i></b>	
Called for businesses to be able to "top-up" payments to staff, above the initial €203.	Yes- The introduction of the Wage Subsidy Scheme addressed this issue, and Pandemic Unemployment Payment for staff who had been temporarily laid off
<b><i>Pandemic Stabilisation and Recovery Fund</i></b>	
Publish the proposed legislation that will establish the €2bn Pandemic Stabilisation and Recovery Fund	Awaiting verification in "July Stimulus" package, pending Government formation
<b><i>Trading Online Vouchers</i></b>	
Call for expansion of the TOV scheme	Yes - additional €14.2m funding for this Scheme.
<b><i>Business Continuity Voucher</i></b>	
Reinstate this Voucher with additional funding for new applicants	Awaiting verification in "July Stimulus" package, pending Government formation
<b><i>Restart Grant</i></b>	
Recommended the introduction of grants rather than loans, based on survey results.	Yes - Restart Grant launched
Significant expansion of the €250m fund	Awaiting verification in "July Stimulus" package, pending Government formation
<b><i>National Taskforce</i></b>	
A cross-departmental National Taskforce for Town Centres, fully resourced by the Department of the Taoiseach	Awaiting verification in "July Stimulus" package, pending Government formation
<b><i>Commission for the Regulation of Utilities (CRU)</i></b>	
Requested that the CRU be more flexible in how business consumers are billed as part of Irish Water's Non-Domestic Tariff Framework.	Yes