

Coronavirus Advice for Businesses – 18 June 2020

VAT PAYMENT DEFERRAL PERIOD ENDS 30 JUNE 2020

Businesses that cancelled their VAT direct debits in order to take advantage of the COVID-19 VAT payment deferral need to ensure that the VAT direct debit is re-instated ready to pay future VAT returns, or ensure that an alternative electronic payment is made to HMRC by the due date.

The last possible VAT period end to which the deferral applies ended on 30 April (due for payment 7 June), and VAT periods ending 31 May (due for payment 7 July) onwards are not covered by the easement.

As direct debit mandates take a few days to set up, do ensure that you allow sufficient time for the process to complete. We suggest that for a May VAT return the direct debit is re-instated by 30 June.