## Rob Roberts MP Member of Parliament for Delyn



RR/RFJ/FCC/COVID-19

Mr Colin Everett
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Dear Mr Everett

27th March 2020

## **SUNDAY TRADING LAWS**

Firstly, I want to thank all the hardworking Council staff who are doing their very best to keep my constituents safe and supported during this unprecedented coronavirus crisis.

I am writing to ask you to temporarily relax the Sunday trading laws currently in place in order to support NHS workers, Social Care staff and other key workers.

Some supermarkets are allowing doctors, nurses and other essential workers into their stores to shop from 9am on a Sunday, before opening to the public. However, although they can gather their supplies, they are unable to pay before 10am due to the existing trading laws. We must do everything we can to make their lives easier during this period.

I will be writing to the First Minister, Mark Drakeford, asking for this restriction to be lifted during the pandemic, but I'm sure you will agree these extraordinary times require fast decisions in order to accommodate the demands on our constituents.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course, and I repeat, thank you to all the hardworking Council staff.

With best wishes

Yours,

Rob Roberts MP Member of Parliament Delyn

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