

Sent: 16 May 2021 12:24

To: Correspondence Mail - JH

Subject: Rural Issues Llanrhian Pembrokeshire UBL

16th May 2021

Dear Jane,

I am writing to you on behalf of Rural Issues Llanrhian, a group which was set up 12 years ago to help people with problems they may face in the rural communities. We have a team of us in the locality who help with everything from finances ,health, education, housing and animal welfare.

We have several people who we help in the community who suffer with mental health problems and are at the moment worrying even more about how they are going to survive financially in the future. I notice that you are to have pilot schemes for the new UBL and we are wondering whether Pembrokeshire will be part of this pilot scheme hopefully to become permanent in the future.

We have two such clients that are both unwell with mental health problems and are also suffering with physical health problems. One lady has had her procedure cancelled several times since last August, the other is just starting treatment. The one lady has been told by her work coach that she has to find a job by July as the UC is finishing as it is at the moment. This comment has put huge extra pressure on the household and I was wondering whether you would be able to tell me what is going to be happening and when.

We are finding it very difficult to get any firm answers at the moment and would like to know if you can help in anyway.

I look forward to hearing from you in the near future,

Kind regards

Co ordinator Rural Issues Llanrhian Pembrokeshire