

# UK WEDDINGS — TASKFORCE

## A message from the UK Weddings Taskforce

In the two weeks since our last newsletter, the UK Weddings Taskforce has been meeting regularly to progress the important issues facing our industry and we are incredibly pleased to share with you that we have just secured a meeting with No.10 Downing Street for next week.

The Taskforce remains focused on key tasks, and has gained solid ground on the following:

1. **Financial Support for the industry** - lobbying Government to provide a financial support package for wedding businesses to help the industry survive the pandemic;
2. **Clarity on a roadmap for the resumption of weddings** - agree with Government the conditions for the stages under which weddings can be restarted and operate at increasing levels of capacity.

### LATEST NEWS

- **MPs support the Taskforce**

Over 80 cross party MPs have signed a letter by Neil Parish MP in support of our formal request to Government for sector specific support and a roadmap to safe reopening. The letter and an accompanying press release can be read in full on our [website](#). The Taskforce is still collating MP support, and is actively encouraging you all to reach out and ask your local MP to add their name and backing. [Please share your successes with us.](#)

- **Ministerial Meeting**

Following the Taskforce meeting with Minister Paul Scully on January 18th, when the formal request for support measures was submitted, the Taskforce has a follow up meeting next week. A recap of the full package of measures we asked for can be

seen on our [website](#).

- **10 Downing Street**

As mentioned above, 10 Downing Street has requested a meeting with the Taskforce next week to discuss our support request. At that meeting we will also press for weddings to be included in roadmap announcements expected to be made by the Prime Minister in three weeks' time.

- **MPs round-table**

The Taskforce will be hosting its second MPs round-table on 16th February. The discussion will be based around outlining the challenges faced by the industry and a brief introduction to UK Weddings (for those who did not attend first Round Table), alongside rationale for industry ask, specifically opening up.

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