

A message from Robert.

Dear Guest,

Over the past few months I have been planning on how and if the restaurant can reopen once lockdown has been eased.

With the announcement that restaurants and pubs can reopen, I have decided that the restaurant will remain closed until it is safer to open.

Above all else the safety of both guests and staff is the most important aspect to me. I'm sure you will realise that Thompson's is a small building and therefore extremely difficult to socially distance guests and staff - even at the new 1m rules.

The restaurant operation is very labour intensive and requires all staff members to ensure that the quality of both food and service is not affected. Faced with only being able to have a maximum of 22 guests in the building, I can see straight away that in no way would it be either viable or safe given the number of staff needed to provide the quality of food and service that you would expect (and which we aim to give) from Thompson's.

The experience I feel would also be adversely affected with staff having to wear face masks & gloves and staff also having to man the toilet areas to clean after each guest's use.

I apologise if this comes as unexpected news, however I must look after all guests and staff as well as protect the business so that when it does reopen, it does so at the quality it aspires to.

During this time I will be continuing to offer my delivery service which has been very well received. I will also be hopefully extending this service to the mainland very soon.

Any guest who has a voucher purchased on or after the 1st of July 2019, is welcome to redeem the value of the voucher through my delivery service covering both food and wine.

If you would prefer to receive a refund please email with your voucher number and I will process this as quickly as possible.

I would ask for your understanding in terms of time taken to refund the voucher if this is your preference.

Best wishes and I look forward to hopefully welcoming you back at some stage.

Robert X