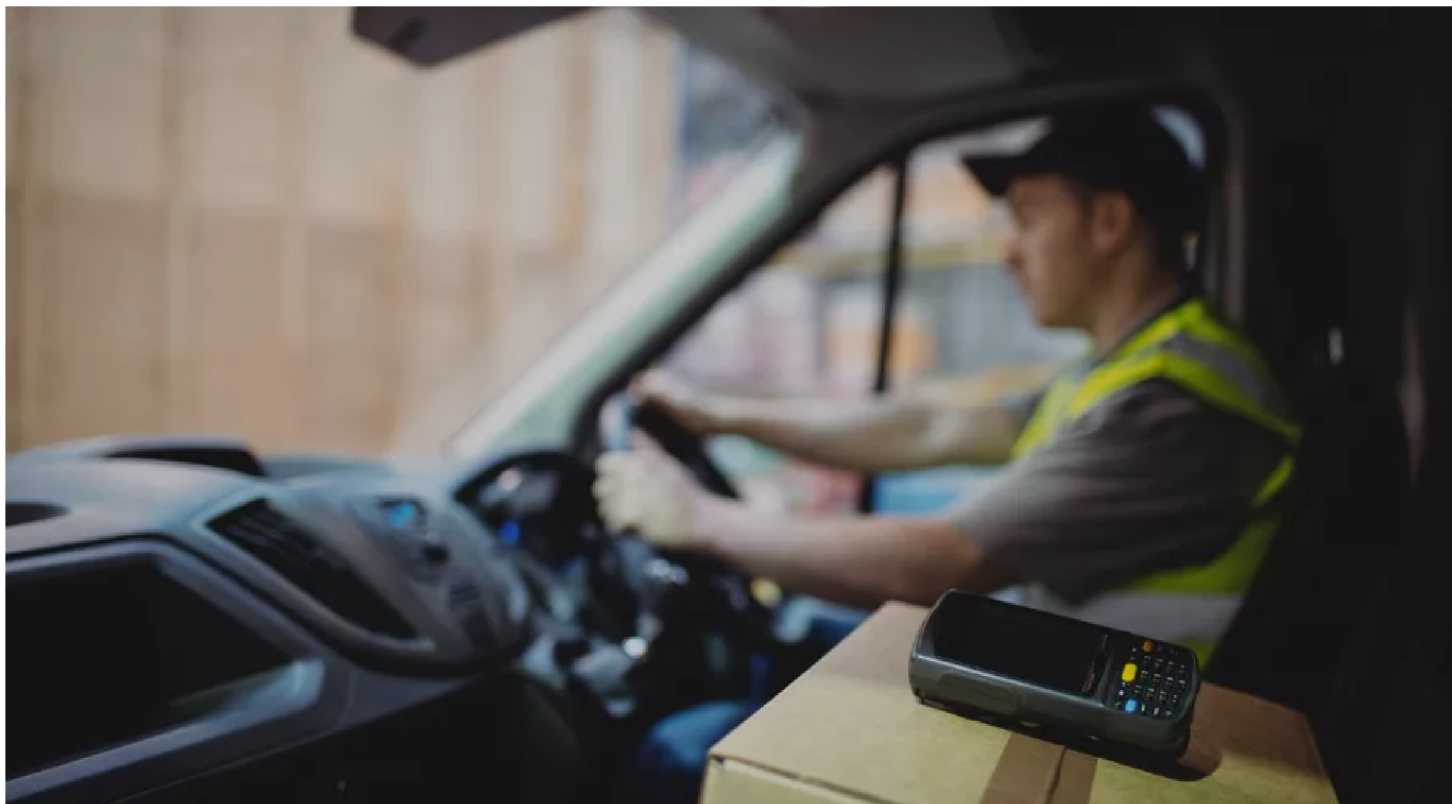


Hermes pledge £1 million to help couriers self isolate



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GMB, the union for lifestyle couriers, has hailed Hermes for pledging **£1million to support self-employed workers if they need to self-isolate as a result of the coronavirus.**

The company say they will help find someone to deliver on their behalf and guarantee that their rounds will be kept open for them for when they return.

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Earlier this week NHS contractor **ISS announced all staff would receive full pay in cases of coronavirus self-isolation**, with fellow contractor Sodexo following suit shortly after.

Mick Rix, GMB National Officer, said:

“Hermes have once again taken the industry lead and shown the gig economy how things should be done.

“By setting up this fund to assist those couriers they are not just protecting people who deliver for them, they are helping to keep the British public safe.

“This is a very welcome step in the right direction, and all employers across the UK should follow their example.”

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