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Business Support and Advice



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Business Newsletter Quiz Winner: Momentum Children's Charity



Each fortnight we give you, our newsletter subscribers, an opportunity to win a mention in the next newsletter.

This edition's winner is Momentum Children's Charity, who support families across SW London, Surrey and Sussex whose children are facing cancer or a life-challenging condition. They are there whatever the outcome, as long as needed, so that no family has to cope alone.

Businesses can support this charity's cause by getting involved in their corporate volunteer opportunities or by becoming a corporate partner.

Would you like the opportunity to win a mention for your business to over 2,000 subscribers? Scroll down to the bottom of this newsletter for this week's quiz.

Momentum Children's Charity



Launching soon: Apply for up to £5,000 to future-proof your business

Apply for up to £5,000 to support your climate-friendly projects in our new round of Green LEAP funding, launching this Friday 11 July 2025 at 10am.

Unlock a range of benefits that enhance your business's futureproofing and resilience, including reducing operational costs and attracting new customers.

Local business Creative Spark, who provide technical expertise for the events industry and recently received a Green LEAP grant, said: "Thanks to the Green LEAP Grant, we have invested in two Instagrid One portable power packs, offering us and our clients a clean and efficient alternative to traditional fuel-based generators for use at smaller events."

Want to future-proof your business? Apply for a Green LEAP grant by midday on Monday 21 July.

[Apply for the grant](#)



Recruit new staff through our Horsham District Jobs & Skills Fair

There's still time to request a stand for our popular Jobs & Skills Fair, taking place Saturday 27 September 2025, 10am - 2pm at Horsham's Drill Hall.

The fair will be an opportunity for companies of all sizes across a variety of business sectors with current or future job vacancies, career opportunities or apprenticeships to meet prospective employees. By taking part in our fair you will have the opportunity to:

- Attract new talent to support your recruitment needs, meeting hundreds of local jobseekers
- Access some excellent publicity and exposure for your business, in the lead up to and during the event
- Network with other local businesses and training providers.

Express your interest by Friday 25 July.

[Request a stand](#)



1-DAY COURSE: First Aid for Mental Health

Join Jenny Legg from Training Legs First Aid for an in-person 1-day course on First Aid for Mental Health on Monday 14 July, 9am-5pm at WDR, Horsham.

Learn how to:

- Recognize and support mental health issues
- Manage stress and handle situations like substance abuse and self-harm
- Communicate effectively and know when to seek professional help
- Create a positive, supportive workplace culture.

This course gives you practical tools to help colleagues and signpost support. Secure your spot for £20.

First Aid for Mental Health



WORKSHOP: AI Unlocked

Looking to unlock AI and create authentic content for your small business?

Join Michelle Betts from ByJove Media on Tuesday 22 July, 9:30am-4pm for an interactive, beginner-friendly course on using AI, that will transform your approach to content creation!

Discover how to:

- Demystify AI and use it to save time
- Generate brilliant ideas and authentic content for your website, blogs, and social media
- Implement personalized tips you can use right away.

Book your spot for £20.

Book your spot



Council visit to AJW Aviation Group

Horsham District Council's Enterprise team and Cabinet Member for Enterprise and Property Cllr Jonathan Taylor recently visited AJW Group at their premises in Slinfold near Horsham.

Following a comprehensive guided tour of their extensive facilities and a productive meeting with the senior leadership team, several follow up actions are being planned to support their continued growth and community engagement.

The visit to AJW Group is part of the Council's engagement programme with businesses within the Horsham District that help to create, maintain, and promote a prosperous community and local economy.

[Read more online](#)



South Downs winemakers raise a toast to climate action

Vineyards across the South Downs are embracing climate action to produce gorgeous glasses of fizz more sustainably.

Seven vineyards in and around the South Downs are now benefitting from climate action grants, administered by the South Downs Trust.

Horsham District beneficiaries include:

- Kinsbrook Vineyard
- Nutbourne Vineyards
- Wiston Estate Winery

A limited funding pot remains and producers who are interested in applying are encouraged to get in touch.

Image credit: Emma Varley

[Read more online](#)

HELP TO GROW
MANAGEMENT COURSE

Business growth training for local SME leaders

Help to Grow is a 90% Government funded course for leaders of businesses

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West Sussex
Growth Hub



West Sussex Growth Hub Business Support Clinics

with 5+ staff, provided by experts at the University of Brighton.

The 12-week programme is taught online and face to face in Crawley or Brighton and allows people to take a step back from their business to find opportunities and work on an actionable growth plan.

The next courses are in September 2025 and January 2026 in Brighton and October 2025 in Crawley.

[Find out more online](#)

Following the success of their first round, the West Sussex Growth Hub has announced the second series of free business support clinics.

These expert-led 1-hour, one-to-one sessions offer personalised advice on key business topics, including:

- Operations and Scale-Up
- Social Media Content
- Finance

If you're looking to take your business to the next level, these clinics are designed to give you the practical support you need.

[Book your space](#)

WEBINAR: Made Smarter South East

Are you a manufacturer, maker or creator based in the South East? Looking to boost your business productivity, efficiency and growth through technology adoption?

Join Made Smarter South East at their business briefing webinar on Wednesday 16 July, to discover funding and support available to help take your business to the next level.

[Register now](#)

Do you have the skills to set your business up for success?

Did you know 40.4 million tonnes of commercial waste is produced in the UK? Are you aware businesses are required to separate their waste into different waste streams?

This includes food waste and recycling collections. More than half the businesses in the UK say they aren't prepared for these changes. In the southeast only 28% of businesses say they are aware of the legislation.

Do you have the skill set to comply? If not we can help you. Call our commercial waste team today to discuss all your options.

[Find out more online](#)

Advice for working in hot temperatures

With temperatures increasing across much of the country, employers must ensure workers are protected during hot weather.

There's no law for maximum working temperature, or when it's too hot to work, because every workplace is different, but you must be sure you are doing all you reasonably can do and assess the risk.

Why not look at the Heat Stress Risk Assessment checklist and see how you are doing. If you have any queries regarding health and safety in the workplace email the Environmental Health Department.

[Heat Stress Checklist](#)



This week's Business Newsletter Quiz

Submit your three correct answers to the following questions via our online form. A winner will be picked at random at midday on Wednesday 16 July, who will receive a mention for their business/organisation in the following issue.

Please note: maximum of two wins per organisation.

- Q1) When will the First Aid for Mental Health course take place?
- Q2) Name one of the beneficiaries of the South Downs Trust climate action grants
- Q3) How many weeks is the Help to Grow programme?

[Submit your quiz answers](#)

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