

Business Development Grant Programme

Financial assistance available:

A grant award between £10,000 and £15,000 is available representing 43.5% of eligible project costs.

To qualify for consideration, businesses must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- · Be an existing SME trading for six months or more
- Employ less than 250 people
- Have a current business plan
- Have an expansion plan in place
- Have a viable project that qualifies for the minimum grant of £10,000
- Create new jobs/safeguard existing jobs as a direct result of the project implementation
- · Be based in, or relocating to, the GBSLEP area
- Be in one of the eligible business sectors

Eligible revenue costs include:

- Up to three days of accredited business advisor support
- · Removal costs
- · Expansion of existing premises
- Rent and rates associated with moving to new premises
- Installation (heating and lighting)
- Installation of cabling as part of relocation/expansion
- Signage
- · Marketing and branding

The grant is equivalent to 43.5% of eligible costs subject to satisfying criteria and approval by an awarding panel. There will also be an administration fee of 1.5% of the project costs, which will be deducted from the first grant payment.

Eligible Areas

East Staffordshire Sutton Coldfield

Cannock Solihull

Lichfield Bromsgrove

Tamworth Redditch

Birmingham Kidderminster

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