

Growth Vouchers

What are they?

Staffordshire Chambers of Commerce are working in partnership with the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS) and Enterprise Nation to deliver a new support programme for small businesses.

Businesses that seek advice are more likely to grow and this scheme helps them access the support they need.

Growth Vouchers offer expert advice under the themes of:

- Raising finance and managing cash flow
- Recruiting and developing staff
- Improving leadership and management skills
- Marketing, attracting and keeping customers
- Making the most of digital technology

How does it work?

Small businesses will be helped to assess their needs and find someone who can support them. Some of these businesses will be offered match funding of up to £2,000 to help pay for the advice they need. They can spend as much or as little as they want on the advice but the maximum subsidy will be £2,000. For help received small businesses will pay the supplier and then claim back up to £2,000 from Government.

Eligibility

Small businesses must apply for Growth Vouchers through www.gov.uk/apply-growth-voucher.

Vouchers are available to small business in England who are VAT registered and have been trading for at least one year, have less than 50 employees and have not sought strategic business advice before.

Further information can be sought by going to growthvouchersbis@bis.gsi.gov.uk.

