

KICK START PLUS

Kick Start Plus is a joint initiative funded by UK Steel Enterprise and administered by Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council. The scheme has been developed to complement the existing business start up grant initiative. The grant is aimed at supporting new businesses from 6 months up to 3 years old, to help them develop and expand.

ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE

- Marketing
- Website
- ICT
- Training/Accreditations

INELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE

- Stock/Consumables
- VAT
- Repair and maintenance costs
- Revenue costs

AMOUNT OF GRANT

- 50% of eligible and reasonable costs
- Maximum grant up to £1000 (depending on level of demand)

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Initial expression of interest form providing brief outline of project, if accepted then: -
- Application form and cash flow forecast accompanied by:
 - 2 comparable quotations for each item
 - At least 6 months management accounts

FACTORS CONSIDERED

- Jobs created and/or safeguarded
- Value for money
- Economic Impact
- Case Officer evaluation

GRANT OFFER

- Approval letter and grant agreement

PAYMENT

- Proof of expenditure will be required for all items claimed for
- Paid direct into business bank account

FUTURE APPLICATIONS

- Future applications can potentially be considered once the conditions of any previous grant award have been met.

For further information on the scheme and/or to register your interest please contact a member of Blaenau Gwent CBC, Economic Development Unit on 01495 355700