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**Legal Structures**

[HM Revenue and Customs](#)

[Gov UK – Choosing a legal structure](#)

[Social Firms UK](#)

[Gov UK – Setting up a social enterprise](#)

**Enterprise Units**

[Cranfield Innovation Centre- Cranfield](#)

[Cranfield University Business Incubation Centre \(CUBIC\)](#)

[Incuba Centre- Dunstable](#)

[Sandringham Community and Enterprise Hub- Houghton Regis](#)

[The Rufus Centre- Flitwick](#)

[Wrest Park Enterprise Centre- Silsoe](#)

[Working Woodlands- Haynes](#)

[The Disability Resource Centre Social Enterprise Hub](#)

**Loans**

[British Business Bank](#)

[Foundation East Start Up Loans](#)

[Virgin Start up Loans](#)

**Tools and Guidance for Businesses**

[Gov UK – Business and Self Employment](#)

[Great Business – support for business growth](#)

[Inspire to Enterprise – supporting social enterprise](#)

[Princes Trust – support for young people starting a business](#)

[Voluntary Works – support for voluntary organisations](#)

[Wenta – business planning tools](#)

**Business Tool Kit**

**Funding**

[Bedford Business EIS Fund](#)

[Business Angels](#)

[Business Finance Finder](#)

[Enterprise Finance Guarantee](#)

[Enterprise Nation: Fund 101](#)

[Grants4Growth](#)

[Growth Accelerator](#)

[J4b Grants](#)

[Low Carbon Innovation Fund](#)

[Manufacturing Advisory Service](#)

[Market trader grant in Leighton Buzzard](#)

[New Enterprise Allowance \(NEA\)](#)

[Research and Development Relief](#)

[Shell LiveWire for Young Entrepreneurs](#)

[Technology Strategy Board Innovation Vouchers](#)

[The Princes Trust](#)

[Wenta Low Carbon Business Advice](#)

**Additional Sources of Help**

Business Support Helpline: 0300 456 3565

Free expert advice from local businesses through [Business TimeBank](#)

Latest business news from [Let's Talk Business](#)

Support to develop new services and products with help from CBC, the University of Bedfordshire and Cranfield University [Innovation Bridge](#)

Business support and grants [Velocity Growth Hub](#)

**Networks**

[Business networks in Central Bedfordshire](#)

[Bedfordshire Business Women](#)

[Federation of Small Businesses](#)

[Chamber Business](#)

**Workshops/Training**

[TCHC - Practical Skills for Business](#)

[Wenta – Ready, Set, Grow!](#)

[Exemplas – Self-employment Workshops](#)