



LOCAL ENTERPRISE OFFICE KILKENNY IS THE FIRST STOP SHOP FOR NEW & EXISTING BUSINESSES OFFERING A RANGE OF SUPPORTS

PRODUCTIVITY & COMPETITIVENESS SUPPORTS



Green for Micro will prepare your business for the low carbon, more resource efficient economy of the future.

- 2 days specialised advice and technical support to start your green business journey
- Available to businesses with up to 10 employees

*T&Cs Apply



Lean for Micro is a support designed to encourage micro enterprises to adopt Lean business principles in their business to increase performance and competitiveness.

- Suitable for established businesses.

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Digital Start is a consultancy-based initiative to support businesses to prepare and implement a plan for the adoption of digital tools and techniques in the business.

- Available to businesses in the Manufacturing or Internationally Traded Service sector.
- Employing up to 10 full-time staff

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ONE TO ONE BUSINESS MENTORING

This *free* confidential business advisory support service is suitable for all businesses in Kilkenny supporting small business owners to address issues specific to their own business and matches business owners with experienced expert business mentors. The mentor will work alongside the business owner and support them to address specific challenges in the business or help the business create a strategic plan. Example of topics covered include but it's not limited to: **finance, marketing, innovation, green issues, strategic planning and HR management etc.** *

TRAINING PROGRAMMES

To assist businesses to meet the challenges of business, the Local Enterprise Office provide a range of training supports which are tailored to meet specific business requirements. There is something suitable for every business. Check out our training and events page on our website for more information. *



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Check out: www.localenterprise.ie/Kilkenny/Training-Events

*Terms & Conditions apply to all schemes

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FINANCIAL SUPPORTS



Feasibility Study/ Innovation Grant

50% of eligible expenditure up to a maximum of €15,000.

This grant can assist with the cost of researching a new business idea or market development to ascertain its viability and sustainability. Eligible Expenditure: specific consultancy requirements, hiring expertise from third-level colleges, private specialists, design and patent costs and prototype development.

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Priming Grant

50% of eligible expenditure up to a maximum of €150,000. A business start-up grant available to businesses with 10 employees or less within the first 18 months of start-up. Eligible expenditure: capital items, salary costs, consultancy, innovation, marketing costs and general overhead costs.

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Business Expansion Grant

50% of eligible expenditure up to a maximum of €150,000. This grant can assist businesses with 10 employees or less after the initial 18 months of start-up. Eligible expenditure: capital items, salary costs, consultancy, innovation, marketing costs and general overhead costs.

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Grad Start Programme

Graduate Salary costs of up to €15,000 per year for the first 2 years. This salary grant scheme aims to support businesses to grow their business by financially supporting the hire of a new graduate. This is suitable for established businesses who currently have 5 or more employees.

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Technical Assistance for Micro Exporters (TAME)

50% of eligible expenditure up to a maximum of €2,500. The TAME grant enables clients to explore and develop new export market opportunities. Eligible Expenditure includes costs associated with investigating and researching export markets, e.g. exhibitions at Trade Fairs, marketing material and developing websites specifically targeting overseas markets.

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Agile Innovation Fund

50% of eligible expenditure – from €20,000 to a maximum of €150,000. This is a Research & Development (R&D) grant fund which allows established businesses to access financial assistance for product, process or service development and improvement projects. Eligible expenditure include staff time for working on the R&D projects, consultancy and technical development.

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Trading Online Voucher Scheme

50% of eligible expenditure up to a maximum of €2,500. This scheme provides funding to a business employing 10 or less, towards the development or upgrading of their online trading presence (i.e. ecommerce store/booking system/online payments system via their website). Previous applicants may be eligible for a second voucher.

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Microfinance Ireland Loan Scheme (MFI)

Business Loans up to €25,000 are available at 5.5% APR over 1 to 5 years.. MFI provide small loans through the Government's Microenterprise Loan Fund to help start-ups and established businesses to get the finance they need for their businesses.

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* Priority will be given to businesses in the manufacturing or internationally traded service sectors which can over time, develop into strong export entities and unique tourism services enterprises that target generating revenue from overseas visitors.

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