

Speakers: Access to Free Money

1) Catalysing Growth Through Research for Transport Equipment Manufacturing – supply chain only.

Adele Wilkinson, Contract Manager - The iNet, Loughborough University, T: 01509 635272

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2) ENSCITE - Bespoke programme of business support including competitive assessment, workshops and business surgeries, consultancy and networking, access to innovation centres

Angela Tooley E: A.Tooley@derby.ac.uk T: +44 (0)1332 597967

3) LEADER, Digital Business finance and financial support for apprenticeships

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4) Enabling Innovation. Various Programmes & Support available.

David Harper, Nottingham Trent University - Enabling Innovation Programme Manager

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5) Local district council funding for growth, apprenticeship, start up's and shop fronts.

Invest in Ashfield and Mansfield

Fardad Amirsaeedi, E: famirsaeedi@Mansfield.gov.uk T:01623 463813

6) R&D Tax Credits

R & D UK Ltd Matt Timby, T: 01332 477 070 E: matt@randduk.com and Brendan Molloy

7) Skill and Training

DBC Training, Simon O'Connell E: Simon@dbc-training.co.uk Kerry Bentley E: Kerry@dbc-training.co.uk

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8) Funding and Support for exporting

Department for International Trade, Gordon Binnie, E: Gordon.Binnie@mobile.trade.gov.uk T: 07825 344643

9) D2N2 Digital Growth Programme

Digital Growth Programme, Paris Pratley-Gomez E: Paris.Pratley-Gomez@emc-dnl.co.uk T: 0333 320 0333 (Ext 3018)

10) LEADER Programme (Via NCC)

Craig Edson, T. 0115 977 2686 E: Craig1.Edson@nottscc.gov.uk

11) Learndirect



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Adam Farrington, T: 07469108271 E: Adam.Farrington@learndirect.com

12) Invest to Grow

Nic Thompson, T: 01332 592420, E: N.Thompson@derby.ac.uk

Further details about the funding that is on offer:

1) Catalysing Growth Through Research for Transport Equipment Manufacturing

- Full name of the speaker from your organisation: Adele Wilkinson
- Contact Number: 01509 635272
- Email address: a.m.wilkinson@lboro.ac.uk
- Title of your funding: Catalysing Growth Through Research for Transport Equipment Manufacturing
- Funding Amount available (details of match funding if applicable): average capital spend of £30k, 50% grant; average revenue spend of £15k, 40.86% grant; CRD projects average £200k spend, 40.86% grant. No retrospection.
- What does the funding cover:
Capital and revenue external expenditure for (not exhaustive);
 - Developing new products, processes and services and bringing these to market – e.g. design, feasibility, proof-of-concept, certification
 - Integrating new or existing products, systems and processes for use in different applications – e.g. adapting marine vessel corrosion protection systems for use on off-shore structures
 - Introducing/developing new processes or materials that lead to new or significantly enhanced products and services

SME led collaborative R & D projects, costs can include internal salaries/ERs on-costs and external costs, which can include small items of equipment, as part of the project (no charge rates or overheads)

- Who is eligible: SMES in the Transport Equipment Manufacturing (TEM) sector within D2N2 (we also have funding for other sectors based in LLEP area)

2) ENSCITE

- Full name of the speaker from your organisation: Angela Tooley
- Contact Number: 07342 054443
- Email address: a.tooley@derby.ac.uk
- Title of your funding: ENSCITE
- Funding Amount available (details of match funding if applicable): 100% funding typically 5-10 days funded support
- What does the funding cover: bespoke programme of business support including competitive assessment, workshops and business surgeries, consultancy and networking, access to innovation centres
- Who is eligible: all eligible SMEs in D2N2 who operate in or aspire to operate in the supply chains of aerospace, rail or automotive sectors
- Catering Requirements:

3) Nottingham County Council and Growth Hub (awaiting details)

- Full name of the speaker from your organisation: Geoff George
- Contact Number: Tel +44 (0)115 977 2046
- Email address: geoff.george@nottscc.gov.uk
- Title of your funding: What Are Growth Hubs?
- Funding Amount available (details of match funding if applicable): See presentation
- Who is eligible: SMEs in the D2N2 Area.

4) Enabling Innovation.

- Full name of the speaker from your organisation: David Harper
- Contact Number: 0115 848 8899
- Email address: workingwithyou@ntu.ac.uk
- Title of your funding: Enabling Innovation
- Funding Amount available (details of match funding if applicable): In most case the support we offer is completely free to the business. This includes a comprehensive programme of seminars and workshops on a range of different subject areas such as Food & Drink production, Materials & Engineering, Computing and Data, Product Design, Management & Leadership, and Legal Advice. We also offer bespoke 1:1 consultancy in these subject areas.
- What does the funding cover: The only direct financial assistance we offer is a 20% contribution towards the first years costs of employing a graduate.
- Who is eligible: SMEs in the D2N2 Area who are looking to introduce some form of innovation into their business

5) Invest in Ashfield and Mansfield

- Full name of the speaker from your organisation: Fardad Amirsaeedi
- Contact Number: 01623 463813
- Email address: famirsaeedi@mansfield.gov.uk
- Title of your funding: See table below
- Funding Amount available (details of match funding if applicable): See table below
- What does the funding cover: See table below
- Who is eligible: See table below

Grant name	Amount available	Covers	Eligibility and exclusions
Apprenticeship Grant for Employers	£1,500	Ashfield and Mansfield	SME, new apprentice aged 16-24 from Ashfield or Mansfield.
Business growth	Up to £5,000	Ashfield and	SMEs. Must create at least one new full-time job within 12



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	(50%)	Mansfield	<p>months. At least six months' trading figures required. Exclusions: pawn brokers, adult/private shops, betting shops, charity shops, vaping shops, licensed premises, national and international chain stores. Eligible expenditure includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land and buildings, including refurbishment • Plant, machinery and equipment costs – the grant will not contribute towards costs associated with leased or rented equipment (vehicles, stock and consumables are excluded) • Costs relating to research and development work, e.g. product development, including production of prototypes and research of new marketing opportunities • Costs associated with staff training, to improve skill levels, in order to introduce the proposed developments into the business • The grant will only contribute towards 12 months of on-going costs, e.g. web hosting, licences etc.
Business start-up	Up to £1,000 (50%)	Ashfield and Mansfield	<p>For start-ups or those trading for less than 6 months. Covers the following businesses: Sole Trader, Partnership, Limited Company or Social Enterprise/Community Interest Company (CIC). Exclusions: pawn brokers, adult/private shops, betting shops, charity shops, vaping shops, licensed premises, national and international chain stores. Eligible costs include purchase of machinery and equipment, business stationery and marketing costs. Eligible expenditure includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital assets such as plant, equipment or machinery – the grant will not contribute towards costs associated with leased or rented equipment (vehicles, stock and consumables are excluded) • Office equipment and furniture including purchase of computer systems • Shop fittings and refurbishment • Security equipment and installation – external roller shutters will only be supported if planning permission has been obtained • Business stationery • Advertising and other marketing costs including web design • The grant will only contribute towards 12 months of on-going costs, e.g. web hosting, licences etc.
Markets scheme	Up to £1,500	Ashfield	£1,500 for indoor market, £500 for outdoor market.
Shop front improvement	Up to £5,000 (50%)	Ashfield and Mansfield	<p>For independent retailers already occupying retail premises. Retail units must have a ground floor and street-facing frontage. Exclusions: pawn brokers, adult/private shops, betting shops, charity shops, vaping shops, licensed premises, national and international chain stores. Eligible expenditure includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replacement shop front, windows and doors

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reinstatement of traditionally styled shop fronts, sash windows and doors • Painting of existing shop fronts and upper floors (including render) • Replacement gutter and downpipes • Replacement signage • Internal security grilles • External roller shutters will only be supported if planning permission has been obtained • Costs associated with planning permission and building regulations fees • Architects' fees
Vacant shops	Up to £4,000 (50%)	Ashfield and Mansfield	<p>For independent retailers. Shop needs to be vacant for at least three months. Retail units must have a ground floor and street-facing frontage. Exclusions: pawn brokers, adult/private shops, betting shops, charity shops, vaping shops, licensed premises, national and international chain stores. Eligible expenditure includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvements to premises • Fixtures and fittings • Equipment and furniture (vehicles, stock and consumables are excluded) • Up to two months' rental payments • Security equipment and installation - external roller shutters will only be supported if planning permission has been obtained • Business stationery • Advertising and other marketing costs, including web design • Insurance premiums

6) R&D Tax Credits

- Full name of the speaker from your organisation: Brendan Molloy
- Contact Number: 01332 477 070
- Email address: brendan@randduk.com
- Title of your funding: R&D Tax Credits
- Funding Amount available (details of match funding if applicable): £2.5-£3bn of tax relief support provided per year lately – and rising.
- What does the funding cover: Expenditures related to R&D projects
- Who is eligible: Limited companies
- Catering Requirements: lactose free milk

7) DBC Training

Full name of the speaker from your organisation: Simon O'Connell

- Contact Number: 07810 792243
- Email address: simon@dbc-training.co.uk
- Title of your funding: Employ Local

- Funding Amount available (details of match funding if applicable): up to a maximum of £4,000 per SME
- What does the funding cover: recruiting new staff
- Who is eligible: small to medium sized businesses who operate in Derbyshire or Nottinghamshire and who recruit an unemployed individual aged 19+ who lives in Derbyshire/Nottinghamshire

8) Department for International Trade:

- Full name of the speaker from your organisation: *Gordon Binnie*
- Contact Number: 07825 344643
- Email address: Gordon.Binnie@mobile.trade.gov.uk
- Title of your funding: International
- Funding Amount available (details of match funding if applicable): 3 separate funding programmes, each with its own grant level,
- What does the funding cover: funding covers projects with an international angle/content
- Who is eligible: available to all SMEs throughout the region

9) eBiz Club

- Full name of the speaker from your organisation: *Paris Pratley-Gomez*
- Contact Number: 07387 141586
- Email address: paris.pratley-gomez@emc-dnl.co.uk
- Title of your funding: *D2N2 Digital Growth Programme*
- Funding Amount available (details of match funding if applicable): *Up to 40% of a technology project (minimum spend £5000(£2000 grant), maximum spend £40000(£16000 grant))*
- What does the funding cover: *Technology related project, ie website development, ICT Equipment etc.*
- Who is eligible: *SME Businesses based in Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire, with ERDF guidelines on sectors.*

10) LEADER

There are two LEADER funding programmes in rural Nottinghamshire with £3.4mn of funding available:

- North Notts LEADER includes Mansfield District, Bassetlaw District and Newark & Sherwood District.
- South Notts LEADER includes Ashfield District, Gedling Borough and Rushcliffe Borough.

All £3.4mn needs to be contracted by March 2019, although expenditure can follow this date.

The LEADER programme is targeted grant funding support for businesses and organisations in **rural areas**.

The basics are:

1. **The project has to be located within the rural LEADER programme area.**
Although the applicant may be based outside. E.g. a business or organisation in Mansfield town is not in the LEADER area but you may have a project located within the LEADER area.
Talk to the LEADER Programme Officer to confirm, or enter the project's postcode at the eligibility checker at 'Eligibility' page of the website listed below.
2. **To apply Businesses usually need to be a Micro or Small Enterprise (less than 50 full time equivalent employees).**
Larger businesses and organisations can apply under certain Priorities e.g. Tourism or Rural Services.
Talk to the LEADER Programme Officer to confirm, or download the Applicant's Handbook at 'Apply' page of the website listed below.
3. **Funding is for capital projects only not revenue.**

This means e.g. equipment and buildings, development of bespoke software.

The project needs to be focussed on economic growth and LEADER will not fund replacements.

Creation of new jobs is encouraged, but it is recognised that not all projects will create new jobs.

Again talk to the LEADER Programme Officer to confirm, or download the Applicant's Handbook to check eligibility of project costs.

4. The maximum contribution for commercial projects is 40% of eligible project costs, with grants ranging from £5,000 to £170,000.

The maximum contribution could be up to 100% of eligible project costs, where the project will not generate income, e.g. cycle paths, visitor information centres, or small-scale village infrastructure projects.

Again talk to the LEADER Programme Officer to confirm, or download the Applicant's Handbook to check eligibility of project costs.

5. Both North and South Notts LEADER Programmes are fully open to receive Expressions of Interest at any time.

For projects in Mansfield District contact Jim Burley – 0115 993 9337

NorthNottinghamshire.LEADERProgramme@nottsc.gov.uk visit

<http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/leadernorth>

6. For projects in Ashfield District contact Craig Edson – 0115 977 2686

SouthNottinghamshire.LEADERProgramme@nottsc.gov.uk visit

<http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/leadersouth>

11) Learn Direct – Training

Deliverables

- £3.5m funding to support over 1000 local businesses
- Over £500k to support SMEs access apprenticeships
- Deliver vocational training to 3525 local employees
- Develop a demand led skills system for the D2N2 LEP region

Scope

- SMEs operating within Derbyshire or Nottinghamshire
- Businesses within 11 identified priority sectors
- Employees aged 19+
- Up-skill your staff
- Improved staff retention
- Accredited training
- Flexible delivery to minimise business impact
- Linking in with LEP business initiatives to support your business
- Training is tailored to the needs of the individual
- Helps the learner achieve success
- Can continue their learning to achieve higher level qualifications
- Learner is in control of the pace of their learning
- Can learn anywhere they have access to the internet

12) Invest to Grow

- The Invest to Grow programme is a re-circulating finance scheme providing loans and grants to support businesses across the East Midlands to innovate, grow and create jobs.



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- Funding is available for a variety of sectors, exclusions include retail and professional services.
- Minimum funding size is £15k, maximum is £250k. Higher awards can occasionally be considered where the project offers exceptional value for money (for example, a large number of jobs will be created as a result of the investment).
- Applicants need to fund at least 70% of the project costs from private sector sources.
- c£10m of funding to allocate to businesses over the next 3 years.
- Over 100 companies supported to date across the East Midlands, totalling c£16m in funding contributing towards project costs of over £70m.
- 700 full time jobs have already been created, with an additional 700 forecast to be created from the funding awarded to date.
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