



Organisations providing support and/or funding to Social Enterprises

Big Issue Invest

Big Issue Invest is the social investment arm of The Big Issue. up social enterprises and charities throughout the UK by providing loans and investments to social enterprises and charities

www.bigissueinvest.com

Development Trusts Association Wales

The Development Trusts Association Wales (DTA Wales) is an independent practitioner based membership organisation promoting the work of and supporting the growing network of development trusts in Wales. Development Trusts are community owned and led organisations operating as community or social enterprises.

www.dtawales.org.uk

Flintshire Local Voluntary Council

Flintshire Local Voluntary Council (FLVC) is the umbrella and support organisation for the Third Sector, including social enterprises, in Flintshire. It has over 1,000 voluntary and community groups on its database and acts as a communication hub for a wide range of local organisations. FLVC provide the following support services:

- Advice and help with governance issues including governing documents
- Information and advice about funders and funding
- Recruitment and placement of volunteers
- Delivering and arranging training www.flvc.org.uk/learningzone
- Payroll and help with budgeting and finances
- Help with recruitment and other staff related issues
- Promoting social enterprises via website, newsletter and e-groups

FLVC also runs a number of social enterprise projects

www.flvc.org.uk

Funding Central

Provides advice on funding, loans and contracts to voluntary or community organisation or social enterprises

www.fundingcentral.org.uk

Local Partnerships

Local Partnerships are a 50-50 joint venture between the Local Government Association and HM Treasury providing a single source of commercial expertise and know-how for all local public bodies, including local authorities, health and social care agencies, police and fire authorities.

www.localpartnerships.org.uk

Mutual Ventures

Work with local authorities, NHS organisations and other public service bodies on both strategy and implementation, including the feasibility and development of staff-led mutuals and community social enterprises

www.mutualventures.co.uk

Social Enterprise UK

Provide consultancy services to organisations including Local Authorities, social enterprises, charities looking to become more social enterprising and companies seeking to include social enterprise in their Corporate Social Responsibility programmes.

<http://www.socialenterprise.org.uk>

Social Firms Wales

Social Firms Wales is the National Support Agency for Social Firm Development. It works alongside Social Firms UK. It is committed to the creation of employment opportunities for disadvantaged people through the development and support of Social Firms in Wales.

www.socialfirmswales.co.uk

Start Up

Resource for starting a business

www.startups.co.uk

The Prince's Trust

The Prince's Trust Enterprise Programme supports unemployed young people aged 18-30 to work out if their business ideas are viable and whether self-employment is right for them. The programme can offer mentoring support and, for those that really need it, financial support to start a business or mentoring support to secure goals in employment, education or training.

www.princes-trust.org.uk

The Social Investment Business - The Social Investment Business* (TSIB) is a specialist fund manager managing over 1300 investments in civil society organisations ranging from under £5,000 to almost £7 million.

TSIB invest in viable, non-bankable projects: facilitating their move into more enterprising ventures; strengthening them; investing in excellence; and bringing to scale the most innovative ideas. TSIB bring finance, knowledge and expertise to help civil society organisations thrive – improving their infrastructure, increasing their capacity, helping them bid for, and win, public service contracts.

www.sibgroup.org.uk

Wales Cooperative Centre

Provides help to co-operatives, social enterprises, community groups and voluntary organisations.

www.walescooperative.org

Welsh Council for Voluntary Action and Welsh Government -Wales Well Being Bond

Provides access to funding to redesign or create third sector public services, A form of not -for –private-profit finance that reinvests in Wales' well being.

www.wcva.org.uk

Welsh Government

Fund a range of organisations to provide specialist development support to social enterprises in Wales.

www.wales.gov.uk