

# Your quick guide to local business support

It is a priority for Eastbourne Borough Council to support and grow entrepreneurs and businesses. The Council funds and works in partnership with a number of business support services so residents and businesses have access to free expert advice.

If you run a business locally, the featured business support services and initiatives can help you during these difficult trading times.

## Edeal

Funded by Eastbourne Borough Council, every business in the District has access to confidential and one-to-one Business Counselling and Business Review sessions with a qualified business advisor. You will be matched with an expert based on your area of need.

Edeal also offers free social media training and is hosting a series of bitesize webinars in a range of business support areas.

[www.edeal.org.uk](http://www.edeal.org.uk) [info@edeal.org.uk](mailto:info@edeal.org.uk) 01323 641144

## Business East Sussex

Business East Sussex is a free and impartial government funded business support service.

During the current Covid-19 period, the team can help you navigate through the range of measures announced by Government, and help you find what you may be eligible for.

A business advisor will also be able to help you on a one to one basis and signpost you to other business support services including access to funding and finance.

[www.southeastbusiness.org.uk/east-sussex](http://www.southeastbusiness.org.uk/east-sussex) 01273 335878

## Locate East Sussex

Locate East Sussex is the county's free inward investment service. It is the first point of contact for any East Sussex based company looking for location and commercial property support.

The team can also help you with grants or loans for capital investment.

[www.locateeastsussex.org.uk](http://www.locateeastsussex.org.uk) [enquiries@locateeastsussex.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@locateeastsussex.org.uk) 0844 4159255

## Keep it Local business directories

Eastbourne Borough Council has created the Eat Local and Shops Local website business directories to promote independent local food and drink producers/suppliers and the wide variety of independent retailers to local residents. It is free to list your business.

To register, visit: [www.eatlocal.info](http://www.eatlocal.info) and [www.shopslocal.info](http://www.shopslocal.info)

## Council Business Bulletin

Eastbourne Borough Council issues regular business bulletins to keep the business community up-to-date with local business support and advice services, funding and grants and online events and webinars. To sign-up, visit: [www.lewes-eastbourne.gov.uk/news-room/keep-me-posted](http://www.lewes-eastbourne.gov.uk/news-room/keep-me-posted)