

ENTERPRISE PLANNING COURSE

Delivery

This is a modular course comprising 1 to 2-hour workshop sessions and individual surgery sessions, typically held over 5 weeks. We are flexible with the timings of the workshops and surgery sessions to suit local needs. There are Eight modules which can be delivered as complete workshops or elements can be taken from each. The whole program can be delivered over a 4 to 8-week period to give attendees the chance to compile a business plan as the course unfolds. The modules cover the following areas:

Module One – Strategic Planning

Vision

Principal stakeholders – skills evaluation, survival income needs Choosing the correct trading status including social enterprise options Getting the right premises and the implications of homeworking Assessing probable overheads – understanding direct & indirect costs Calculating a minimum selling price and achieving breakeven Demonstrating an understanding of your market

Module Two – Understanding Customers and Competition

Introduction to marketing techniques and terminology
Methods of market research – primary and secondary data
Designing and carrying out a market research survey
Identifying a market segment and Profiling customers
Analysing the competition – identifying opportunity and threats

Module Three – Income Generation Plan

Achieving the right image
Strategies to ensure you make the most of your advertising budget
Evaluating and choosing an appropriate advertising strategy
Promoting on the internet – considerations for your website
Social media and Search engine optimisation
Analysing campaigns – cost to benefit analysis
Compiling a sales forecast

Module Four – Selling and Networking

Developing a communication plan
The basic skills of successful selling
Devising a successful sales strategy – combining with advertising plan
Generating leads & preparing for a successful appointment
Effective networking
Developing a sales team
Sales and the law



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Module Five – Financial Controls and managing operating budgets.

Understanding budgets and forecasts
How to prepare a budget
Basics of Cash Flow Management
Understanding cash flow and how to manage it
Understanding petty cash and how to handle it
Preparing Cash Flow Projections and Forecasts

Module Six - Financial Analysis and Reporting

Interpreting Financial Statements
Beginner's Guide to Financial Statements
The Busy Person's Guide to Essential Finance Reports
Financial Planning and Analysis -- Key Project/investment evaluation methods
Breakeven analysis in depth
Payback method
Discounted cash flows

Module Seven – Managing Risks and Issues

Key difference between risks and issues Understanding types of risk Developing a risk strategy Risk Management Health check Effective tools and techniques for resolving issues. Avoiding common mistakes

Location

This course can be delivered at our offices in Chichester or at venues across the UK. It is also available online

Pricing

As this is a modular program prices depend on how much of the course is required. It can be taken at different times to suit your own personal timescales. Individual prices for this course are as low as £75 per module per person, including all materials and support.

Booking

For details of dates for individual bookings or availability and costings for group bookings.

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