

We are keen to help local businesses contact relevant services easily – for advice and help to comply with Government regulations. Most of the advice is free but we do need to charge for some services.

#### Business Rates - 01772 625239

Information on who is required to pay business rates, how business rates are calculated for a property and also how to pay business rates.

#### Planning Permission or Building Regulations - 01772 421491

If you would like to: Change the use of a building; erect a new building; extend or alter an existing building; work from home; or carry out other building or engineering operations e.g. laying out car parks, we can advise if you need permission. (Charges may apply)

## Housing - 01772 625314

If you own any houses, which are rented out we can advise on the appropriate regulations, and tell you where regulation is required.

#### Licensing Regulations - 01772 625311

Do you need licences? Hackney Carriage & Private Hire; Public Entertainment; Indoor Sports; Theatrical or Cinema Performance; Late Night Refreshments; Lotteries; Street or House-to-House Collections; Fruit Machines; Selling of Game; or Second Hand Goods Dealers.

#### Trade Waste Services - 01772 625625

To help you comply with the Environment Protection Act, we can advise on: Waste Classification; Controlling & Handling Waste Safely; Legislation on Hazardous Waste; Efficient and Safe Disposal Methods; Appointment of Authorised Carriers; & Recycling Schemes and Facilities.

### Health and Safety - 01772 625340

We can offer advice on: Registration of Premises; Safety Management; Worker Protection; Workplace Welfare Provisions; Protection of the Public in the Workplace; & Notification of Reportable Accidents.

#### Personal Health - 01772 625340

The Council has a responsibility to monitor public health including: Ear Piercing; Tattooing; Acupuncture; Electrolysis; and Body Piercing.

#### Food Safety - 01772 625340

We can advise on registration, inspection, regulations and codes of practice in respect of the following: Food Manufacture; Food Exporting; Catering; Sale of Food; Food Storage; and Hazard Analysis (HACCP).

#### Pollution Control - 01772 625340

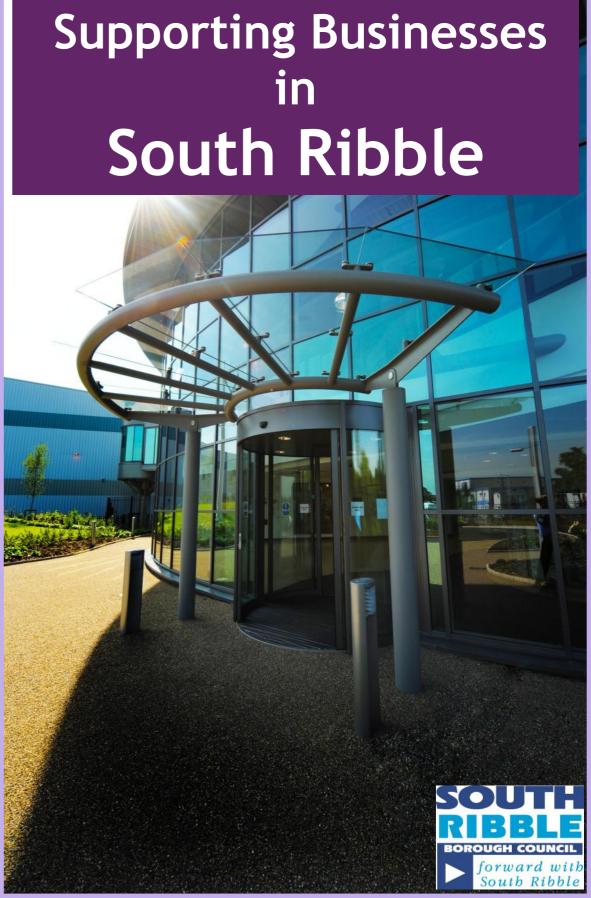
If your business makes a discharge onto land, water or the atmosphere, or produces a noise then you may need advice on: Emissions; Control of Noisy Processes and Premises; Pollution Prevention and Filtration; Prevention of Odours; Contaminated Land; & Pest Control.

Health Promotion - 01772 625340 We can advise on: Food Hygiene Training; Smoking Cessation; and Healthy Lifestyles.

Animal Health and Welfare - 01772 625340 We offer advice on regulations for: Animal Boarding Establishments; Riding Stables; Breeders of Dogs; Zoos; or Pet Shops.

## Economic Development at South Ribble Borough Council: 01772 625567

www.businessinsouthribble.co.uk Email: info@businessinsouthribble.co.uk





# Welcome to Business Support in South Ribble

South Ribble Economic Development Service would like to work with you to make sure that we and our partners provide the support and conditions that you need to thrive.

Please contact Jennifer Clough: 01772 625567 Email: info@businessinsouthribble.co.uk

## **Business support and advice**

In order to help businesses, South Ribble Borough Council offers a range of help, free of charge. We can offer:

- Details of local commercial sites and premises
- Contacts for business loans and funding
- Business networking opportunities
- Links to support for business start-up and growth
- Local training provider details
- Business continuity advice
- ٠ Information on resource efficiency programmes
- ٠ Links to local business support organisations

We can help you to promote your business to reach new customers and let you know about opportunities to take part in local events. Simply let us have your contact details so that we can keep you informed about opportunities and projects relevant to your business.

We offer help to find commercial sites and premises. If you are thinking of starting your own business, expanding into larger premises, or establishing a new base in South Ribble, we can offer you help to find the ideal solution for your business's property needs. We also provide information about transport, planning, housing, education and leisure facilities, to help your business attract key staff.

Current examples of our joint work with local businesses include Leyland Town Team, which steers the work being undertaken in Leyland town centre, and the website www.visitleyland.co.uk, which provides an internet promotion platform for local businesses.

If you are looking for finance for your business, the Economic Development Team can help you to search for any suitable funding providers operating within South Ribble.

## South Ribble – Working with Partners

The Employment Taskforce offers co-ordinated advice and guidance for your business through a partnership approach. If you are an employer the Employment Taskforce can help you to source, recruit and train the staff you need to grow your business. Help available includes: Meeting employers' skill needs; Bespoke pre-employment training; Apprenticeship support; Recruitment assistance; Employment incentives; and Knowledge transfer.

We offer you support including:

- ✓ Help to find impartial business information and advice for new start and established businesses through GOV.UK.
- ✓ Advice through "Start-Up Lancashire" workshops and one-toone support for starting a new business.
- ✓ Business networking opportunities. Meet local customers and suppliers through Central Lancashire Business Events, Central Lancashire Business Club, Breakfast Before Business (BB4B) and the Federation of Small Businesses.
- ✓ Recruitment services through the new Jobcentre Plus Job Match service at offices in Leyland, Preston and Chorley.
- ✓ Information on how your business can benefit from an apprentice and help to put apprenticeships in place.
- ✓ Funding sources such as the Rosebud Funds, Accelerate Business Growth and the Fuse Fund.
- ✓ Business briefing seminars and events organised by the Chamber of Commerce and other partners.
- $\checkmark$  Help to set up a social enterprise through SELNET.
- ✓ Pre-employment training, accredited qualifications, advice on filling skills gaps & training opportunities through Runshaw Business Centre, Runshaw College, Preston's College and local training organisations.

For more information please contact Jennifer Clough or complete the enquiry form on our website

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