

## STARTING IN BUSINESS

Our checklist below lists some of the questions you need to consider:

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Do you have a business idea?		
Does it use your strongest skills?		
Do you need any additional training?		
Do you have a business plan?		
Have you researched your market?		
Will you need suppliers or premises to trade?		
Do you know how you will promote your business?		
Do you know who your competitors are?		
Do you know your start- up costs?		
Have you adequate funds you can put into the business?		
Do you need to raise additional finance for your business?		
Do you have a trading name?		
Do you know how you are going to trade - sole trader,		
partnership, limited company?		

Once you have answered the above, there are a number of legal and tax responsibilities that we can advise on and help you deal with. These include:

- REGISTERING WITH HMRC FOR TAX, NIC & VAT
- MAINTAINING ACCURATE ACCOUNTING RECORDS
- ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS SUCH AS INSURANCE
- EMPLOYMENT MATTERS INCLUDING PENSIONS
- REVIEWING PROSPECTIVE BUSINESS PURCHASES
- FINANCING EQUIPMENT

## Help and support

Our specialist team are always happy to help with any business start-up issue. Why not give us a call to find out how best you can benefit from our services. To make an appointment to arrange a free initial meeting please contact us on 01392 258553 or 01395 279521.

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