

## Real help with your first steps in business...

The Innov8 programme provides support for young people under 31 years old who either have a business idea they want to explore or need advice on running an existing business. Support includes business planning, guidance on start-up and ongoing mentoring. It can also help you access more specialist support such as book-keeping and marketing. Not only this, but you can apply for a grant of £1000 towards start up costs. Innov8+ provides similar support to people over 31 years old.

The programme is managed by Kevin Lugg, the Council's Enterprise Development Officer, and he is based at Sandfields Young Business Centre which was created specifically to help young people start up in business.

As well as the Innov8 programme, businesses at the centre can call on a range of additional help including on-site business advice and support facilities including a reception service, shared broadband facilities and meeting rooms.

**So if you want to find out more about the programme, how to get help, or to discuss your business ideas, get in touch with us today!**

One of success stories...

### D2 Joinery

David Owen started his joinery business in September 2009, after spending the previous three years building guitars in a garage. Realising that the guitar business was not enough to sustain business expansion, he made the transition from Luthier to Joiner and needed to find suitable premises to store all of his new machinery.

*'I looked at several units in the local area but Sandfields Young Business Centre was by far the most appealing. It was reasonably priced, the grounds and building were clean and professional, the parking and access was ideal and the security was comforting. The managers were excellent, and the whole process from first enquiry to me moving in was very quick and easy. The Centre also provided an ideal setting to network with other businesses. I have since given work to, and received work from, other businesses located in the centre and I feel that those early jobs and the support from Innov8 were vital in my business becoming successful.'*

Needing even more space, David has now moved to the Endeavour Close Industrial Estate where his business continues to grow.

[www.d2-joinery.co.uk](http://www.d2-joinery.co.uk)



## Cymorth go iawn i gymryd eich camau cyntaf mewn busnes...

Mae'r rhaglen Innov8 yn cynnig cymorth i bobl ifanc dan 31 flwydd oed sydd p'un ai wedi cael syniad busnes y maent yn awyddus i'w archwilio neu y mae angen cyngor arnynt ynghylch rhedeg busnes sy'n bodoli eisoes. Mae'r cymorth yn cynnwys cynllunio busnes, cyfarwyddyd ar sut i gychwyn busnes a mentora parhaus. Mae'n gallu eich helpu hefyd i fynd at gymorth mwy arbenigol mewn meysydd megis cadw cyfrifon a marchnata. Ac ar ben hyn fe allwch chi geisio am grant o £1000 at eich costau cychwynnol. Mae Innov8+ yn cynnig cefnogaeth debyg i bobl sydd dros 31 flwydd oed.

Rheolwr y rhaglen yw Kevin Lugg, Swyddog Datblygu Menter y Cyngor sy'n gweithio o Ganolfan Busnes Pobl Ifanc Sandfields a sefydlwyd yn unswydd i helpu pobl ifanc i ddechrau busnesau.

Yn ogystal â'r rhaglen Innov8, gall busnesau yn y Ganolfan alw am rychwant o gymorth ychwanegol gan gynnwys cyngor busnes ar y safle a chyfleusterau cymorth megis gwasanaeth derbynfa, cyfleusterau band eang cydranedig ac ystafelloedd cwrdd.

Os carech chi ddysgu rhagor am y rhaglen felly neu am sut i gael cymorth, neu drafod eich syniadau busnes, cysylltwch â ni heddiw!



Un stori lwyddiant...

### Gwaith Coed D2 Joinery

Sefydlodd David Owen ei fusnes gwaith coed ym mis Medi 2009, ar ôl treulio'r tair blynedd flaenorol yn adeiladu gitarau mewn garej. Wedi iddo sylweddoli nad oedd y busnes gitarau'n ddigonol i ariannu ei gynlluniau i ehangu'r busnes, fe drodd o wneud gitarau at fod yn saer celfi, drysau, ffenestri a cheginau. Erbyn hyn roedd angen adeilad addas arno i storio ei beirianwaith newydd i gyd.

*'Edrychais i ar sawl uned yn yr ardal, ond Canolfan Busnes Pobl Ifanc Sandfields oedd yr un fwyaf deniadol o bell ffordd. Roedd y pris yn rhesymol, roedd yr adeilad a'r tir o'i gwmpas yn lân ac yn broffesiynol, roedd y lle parcio a mynediad i'r safle'n ddelfrydol ac roedd y diogeledd yn tawelu'r meddwl. Roedd y rheolwyr yn ardderchog, a chefais fod y broses gyfan rhwng yr ymholiadau cyntaf a symud i mewn yn gyflym ac yn hawdd iawn. Roedd y Ganolfan yn creu amgylchiadau delfrydol hefyd imi rwydweithio gyda busnesau eraill. Ers dechrau dw i wedi rhoi gwaith i fusnesau eraill sydd yn y Ganolfan a derbyn gwaith oddi wrthyn nhw, a dw i o'r farn bod y tasgau cynnar hynny, ynghyd â'r cymorth a ges i gan Innov8, wedi bod yn hanfodol bwysig i lwyddiant fy musnes.'*

Erbyn hyn mae angen mwy fyth o le ar David, ac mae wedi symud i Ystad Ddiwydiannol Endeavour Close lle mae ei fusnes yn dal i dyfu.

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