

# Enterprise Agencies in Belfast



The local enterprise agencies (LEAs) in Belfast are located throughout the city and work together to maximise the support for local entrepreneurship and local businesses.

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They were set up by local business people and active community leaders to support individuals to set up their own business, to create jobs and stimulate further development within local areas.

They provide best value delivery to the government and investors, as they exist to support local enterprise and business rather than for financial gain.

There are a growing number of organisations in Belfast who offer training and support for business start up and business growth but the enterprise agency is the first local contact point for any individual seeking to start, maintain or grow a business.

Through the voluntary efforts of Directors, the professionalism of paid staff, the direct involvement of the Council, Invest NI and their staff and the participation of the local business community, Local Enterprise Agencies make a real contribution to the social capital of Belfast. They provide the capacity, the capability and the expertise to make things work better at local level. They also provide the means by which local communities can respond to both opportunity and challenge.

Local Enterprise Agencies are locally based, not-for-profit companies who reinvest any surplus funds back into business support.

Ormeau Business Park - one of six run by Belfast's local Enterprise Agencies

