

# Melton means business....



## Business Support

The Welland Enterprise Agency offers a range of high quality business and skills support, in the Welland, South Lincolnshire and South Leicestershire areas. The support is aimed at people returning to the labour market, pre-start and start up businesses (up to 12 months). If you would like to start up a business or just like business advice, please contact:

[biz@wellent.co.uk](mailto:biz@wellent.co.uk) or [businesslink@wellent.co.uk](mailto:businesslink@wellent.co.uk)  
Telephone: 0845 050 1050 / 01476 531027  
Welland Enterprise Agency  
[www.wellent.co.uk](http://www.wellent.co.uk)

For businesses, which have been established for 12 months or more, advice and support is also offered by Business Link, details as below:  
Tel: 0845 0858 6644

E-mail: [info@businesslinkem.co.uk](mailto:info@businesslinkem.co.uk)  
[www.businesslinkeastmidlands.co.uk](http://www.businesslinkeastmidlands.co.uk)



## FREE Training Workshops

Interested in becoming self-employed? **FREE WORKSHOPS** are being offered by Business Link East Midlands.

Workshops include: Deciding to Start and Business Planning; Sales & Marketing; Financial Planning; Managing the Money and the Risk; ICT for Your Business

Full details of the workshops are detailed on the MTCP website; or contact Business Link East Midlands as below:

Tel: 01476 531027

E-mail: [businesslink@wellent.co.uk](mailto:businesslink@wellent.co.uk)



## Action Planning Workshops

Further **FREE WORKSHOPS** are offered through Business Link's eBusiness programme. For further details, visit [www.ebusinessclub.biz](http://www.ebusinessclub.biz) or tel: 0845 603 8370

## Looking for Grants or Funding as a Small Business/Project?

Small businesses, charitable and community groups, may find additional grants or funding, through the below two schemes

### GRANTnet

GRANTnet is a straightforward, free-to-use service from GRANTfinder, which can help small businesses, charitable and community groups to find suitable funding. The information on GRANTnet comprises over 5,000 funding schemes that are available in the UK from European and National sources. For further information visit [www.GRANT.net](http://www.GRANT.net)



J4b.co.uk offers comprehensive grant information for the UK and Ireland, in the Business, Voluntary and Community sector. Find Grants, Loans, Tax relief, Venture Capital and Awards to support your business. For further information visit [www.j4b.co.uk](http://www.j4b.co.uk)

## EVENTS DIARY 2009

### JUNE

**Stapleford Steam** - Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th - Stapleford Park

**Vintage Classic Car and Bike Meet** - Friday 26th - Market Place from 5.00pm to Dusk

**Melton Country Fair** - Saturday 28th - Town Park from 10.00am - 5.00pm

**Grove Carnival** - Thursday 25th - Market Place and Grove School from 11.00am to 3.30pm

### JULY

**Pork Pie & Potholes CiCLE Challenge** - Sunday 12th July - Town centre from 3.00pm

**Melton by the Sea** - Thursday 23rd & Friday 24th - Town centre market place from 10.00am to 4.00pm

**CLA Game Fair** - Friday 24th - Sunday 26th - Belvoir Castle from 9.30am to 6.00pm

**Vintage Classic Car & Bike Meet** - Friday 31st July - Market Place from 5.00pm to Dusk

### AUGUST

**Melton Duck Race** - Monday 31st - Town Park

**Vintage Classic Car and Bike Meet** - Friday 28th - Market Place from 5.00pm to Dusk

### SEPTEMBER

**Rare Breeds Show** - Friday 11th - Saturday 12th - Cattle Market from 10.00am to 4.00pm

**Beer Festival** - Friday 18th - Saturday 19th September - Cattle Market from 11.00am to 11.00pm

**Fun Fair** - Monday 14th - Monday 21st - Town Park from 12.00pm onwards

**World's Biggest Coffee Morning** - Friday 25th - Market Place from 10.00am - 12.00pm

**Vintage Classic Car and Bike Meet** - Friday 25th - Market Place from 5.00pm to Dusk

### OCTOBER

**East Midlands Food & Drink Festival** - Saturday 3rd - Sunday 4th - Brooksby Hall from 10.00am to 5.00pm

**Pork Pie Street Fair** - Wednesday 21st - Friday 23rd - Town Centre from 12.00pm to Dusk

**Faery Ball** - Wednesday 31st - Market Tavern from 7.30am to 12.30pm



SUMMER 2009

## TOWN CENTRE NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the Summer 2009 edition newsletter, produced by the Melton Town Centre Partnership. With additional funding secured through the LCC Place Shaping Fund this year of £30,000, the Partnership will continue to deliver its successful "Melton Means Business" and "Think Melton Shop Melton" campaigns. This will include continued focus upon Inward Investment, and Business Development schemes; and Enhancement of the Town Centre with increased tourism signage and enhanced lighting strategies.

## Inside this issue:

- Market Towns Rural Summit
- Country Fair Is Back
- Dine 09 in Melton
- Pies, Pints & Stilton Tours
- 2009 Diary

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## MTCP Annual Event

This year's MTCP Annual Event will be held on  
**Thursday 18th June 5.30pm to 7.00pm**  
at the Banqueting Suite, Melton Cattle Market

We all have a common objective .... To increase the vitality & vibrancy of the Town & make it a more desirable place to work, live & visit.

What has the Partnership achieved over the past year in improving Melton Town Centre?



What are its plans for 2010 / 2011 & how can you play a part in improving our Town Centre?

Presentations by

Tim Webster: Melton Mowbray Markets,  
Harry Rai: Melton Borough Council,  
Key Town Centre businesses and the  
Melton Town Centre Partnership

All welcome to attend and refreshments included

## 'King Street' puts on a fantastic show



King Street businesses organised their own first Wedding Fayre on 9th May, lead by Jane Scothern at Coco's. The event included Fashion Shows by Heir Apparent and Shimmers, live music by Mel-Tone, an incredible pagan wedding, organised by Far Fetched and a vintage car from Nigel at 54a King Street. Throughout the day, the street was decorated with balloons and displays, from Blooming Fresh, Coco's, Beauty Box, Shimmers, Point Blank, and Cobwebs, with great home cooked food from The Kitchen. The event, supported by MBC and MTCP, attracted wide media

coverage, with live radio coverage on BBC Radio Leicester and TV coverage by East Midlands Today. As a first event, it was hailed as a huge success by all businesses in the street, and an excellent example of businesses pulling together in the current economic climate. The King Street Wedding Fayre will now become an annual event.

## Town centre statistics



The Melton Town Centre Partnership conducts an annual survey to gauge business performance and confidence in the Town Centre for inclusion in the annual Town Centre Health Check Report. This survey has now been distributed to every town centre business. The summary of the findings will be detailed on the MTCP website at the end of June.

Footfall figures, car parking surveys and vacant unit counts, are also recorded on monthly, quarterly and annual bases. Vacant units, currently represent 6.8% of the total 440 town centre businesses, below the East Midlands comparable rate of 7%. A full list of current vacant, and commercially available units in the town centre is detailed on the MTCP website. Footfall figures were collected in April 2009, as part of our annual benchmarking Again, a summary of these, and other statistics are detailed on the website.

The **Melton Town Centre Partnership** is a non-political body, led by local business representatives for the benefit of the town centre. It is supported by Melton Borough Council.

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