

Business Bulletin August 2025

Help Shape the Future of TS6: Take the Survey Today!



Imagine having the power to influence the future of your community. Now's your chance.

'TS6 Together' have funding available to invest in the TS6 area over the next ten years through the Plan for Neighbourhoods scheme, and we want your input.

If you live or work in TS6, what would you prioritise? This is your opportunity to guide real, impactful change in the place you call home.

We're reaching out to local TS6 businesses and residents to help us spread the word and share the survey. Your feedback is crucial, and we want to hear from you.

In the survey, you'll be asked to select the three areas, from a list of eight, that you believe deserve investment. You'll also have space to share why these choices matter to you.

Take a moment to reflect:

What do you love about your community?

What would make it even better?

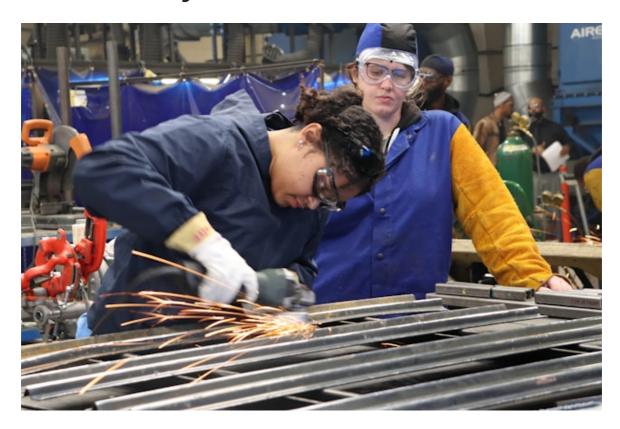
What needs improvement, and what could help make those changes happen?

This is your chance to shape a brighter future for TS6. Let your voice be heard.

To complete the survey, please click on the link below.

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Tees Valley Youth Guarantee Trailblazer



Tees Valley Combined Authority is offering local businesses the opportunity of accessing funded three or six month **paid work placements** for young people aged 18-21 who are not in education, employment, or training.

Hear from Cllr Lynne Pallister, Cabinet Member for Growth and Enterprise at Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council on how your business can get involved - <u>click here to watch the video</u>.

To help your business take on a young person additional support is available including:

- Up to £2,000 is available to help you identify dedicated work-based mentors within your team.
- Training grants are also available with up to £2,500 towards certified training, qualifications and upskilling.

Paid placements will be subsidised for up to 25 hours per week, wages will be fully funded meaning there is no financial cost to your business.

Businesses can also offer flexible unpaid **work taster sessions** for young people to explore which sectors / roles they're most interested in.

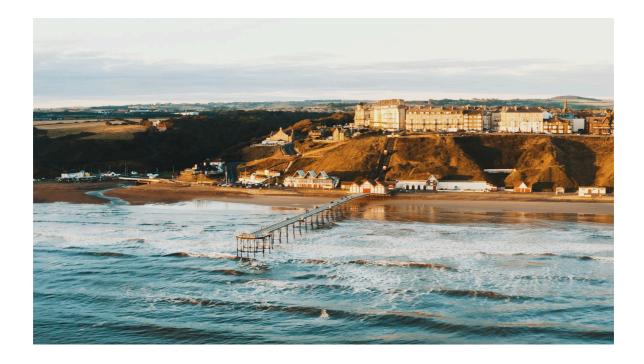
For more information, including FAQs, and to sign up, visit the Tees Valley Combined Authority website below.

Please note this programme is aimed at businesses who have 5+ employees, enquiries from businesses with less than 5 employees will be judged on a case by case basis.

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Tees Valley Rural Grant Funding Opportunity



Tees Valley has been allocated £187,427 for the financial year 2025 to 2026 through the UK Government's Rural England Prosperity Fund.

In line with this year's allocation round 3 of the Rural England Prosperity Fund (REPF) is now open to applications offering capital grants of £1,000 to £15,000 for rural businesses and community organisations across Redcar and Cleveland.

Delivered by Tees Valley Combined Authority, in partnership with Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council, this fund is designed to strengthen both our rural economy and rural community infrastructure.

There is no match funding requirement for the purposes of this fund and applications are invited for projects which will:

- Accelerate business growth and diversification.
- Support the development of new products and services.
- Create jobs and support new developments in the rural area.
- Strengthen community infrastructure and services.
- Support local heritage, arts and creative activities.

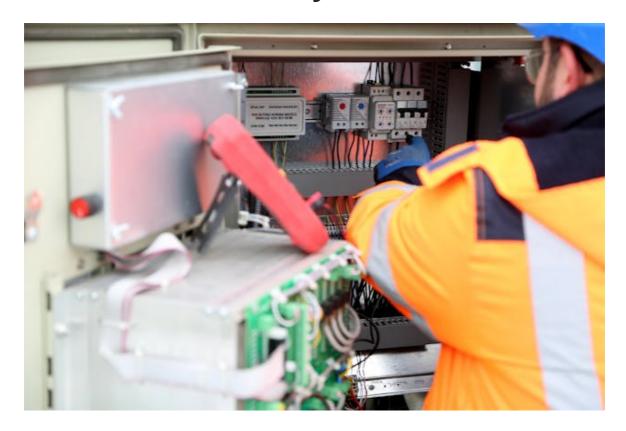
Please note projects **must** take place in an eligible area as defined by the Department for Food, Environment and Rural Affairs (defra) on the Magic Maps tool, to check your eligibility we have developed an easy to use checker using defra data found **HERE**.

Organisations have until **5pm** on **Friday 5 September** to submit applications for this funding round.

For more information on eligibility and guidance as to how to apply please visit the Tees Valley Combined Authority website **HERE**.

Our team are here to provide support with your application if required, please respond to this email and a member of our team will get back to you, for any general questions please contact UKSPFenguiries@teesvalley-ca.gov.uk.

Tees Valley Net Zero



Delivered by Decerna the fully funded Tees Valley Net Zero programme is back to support your business on its decarbonisation journey.

The programme provides a range of support to help your business fully integrate sustainability into your daily operations and make even greater carbon reduction and cost savings, available to new enquiries and businesses who worked with Decerna on the previous programme.

Support includes:

- Carbon Emissions Tool Calculate your baseline carbon footprint and track progress year on year.
- Decarbonisation Plan Take meaningful steps to achieve real-world emissions reductions and hit your Net Zero targets.

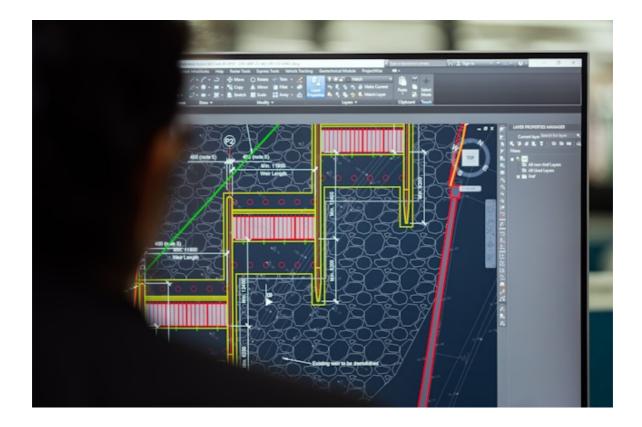
- Change at Work: Practical Help Get hands-on advice to implement change across your team.
- **Sustainable Manufacturing** Expert guidance to help cut waste and improve efficiency.
- **Energy Audit** In-depth analysis to identify energy-saving opportunities with expert support.
- Access to Finance Explore funding available to bring your plans to life.
- **Build Your Knowledge** Discover factsheets and videos on a wide range of decarbonisation topics, focused on what you can implement to save energy in your business.
- **Sustainable Business Network** Learn from industry experts, share ideas, develop new contacts, and hear about other businesses' experiences.

Sign up to this year's Tees Valley Net Zero programme below.

Support is fully funded for Redcar and Cleveland businesses by the UK Government via the UK Shared Prosperity Fund and delivered by Decerna on behalf of the Tees Valley Mayor, Business Board and Combined Authority.

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Made Smarter Adoption North East



Redcar and Cleveland manufacturers looking to become more efficient and implement digital technology into your business are invited to take part in the latest Made Smarter Adoption North East programme which includes the opportunity to apply for up to £23,500 in grant funding to help purchase and implement new software/equipment.

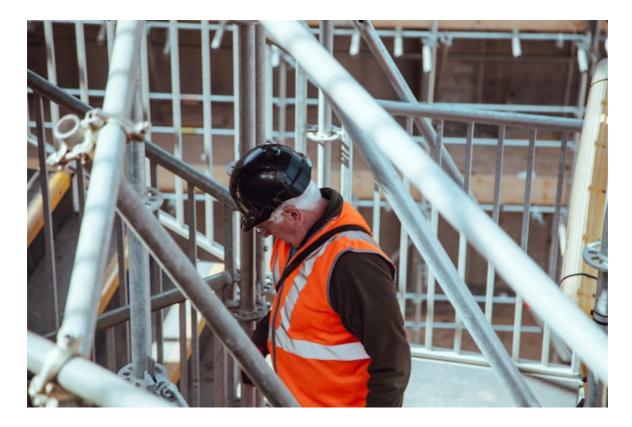
- Get hands on help to develop a digital roadmap for your business wherever you're at on your digital journey.
- Access specialist training and workshops on digital transformation, road mapping, process mapping, leadership development and industrial cyber security.
- Grants of up to *£3,500 to access expert technical advice.
- Grants of up to *£20,000 to help you purchase and implement new software and/ or equipment (up to 50% of the overall cost).

*Grants are subject to availability upon completion of the three programme workshops

Find more information on the programme and range of support to make your manufacturing business more efficient and productive below.

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Supply Chain Opportunities



Northern Endurance Partnership (NEP) is the UK's largest offshore subsea carbon capture project.

bp is the operator of the NEP project on behalf of the partners bp, Total and Equinor.

Find upcoming tender opportunities for the project on the **Energy Pathfinder** platform.

Our supply chain opportunities webpage below will be updated with these opportunities as they become available.

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Land and property opportunities

Leisure property to Let in Redcar



An opportunity to lease a seafront property located on Majuba Road in Redcar has come to tender through Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council.

The facility has been uniquely designed as a youth and education facility, with the 17,318 Sq. ft seafront property arranged over two levels. The internal area boasts a range of performance, office and meeting room space, along with a kitchen, changing rooms, storage and plant rooms.

Externally the property offers a private car park at the front of the building and access via a block paved private driveway, a refuse area adjacent to the building and a large, grassy area between the building itself and Majuba Road.

The deadline for tenders to be submitted is by 12 noon on 10th September 2025.

For more information on this tender, please click the link below.

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Commercial unit to Let in Guisborough



An opportunity to lease a commercial unit within Guisborough Town Hall has come to tender through Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council.

Set within the historic market town, this commercial unit is located on the ground floor of the historic Grade II* listed building.

With a total of 579 Sq. Ft, this unit boasts an open plan commercial space, service area, storage and kitchen space.

The deadline for tenders to be submitted is by 12 noon on 22nd August 2025.

For more information on this tender, please click the link below.

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Family hub to Let in Carlin How



An opportunity to lease the Whitecliffe Family Hub has come to tender through Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council.

Situated in the village of Carlin How, this single story unit is positioned on the outskirts of the village, just outside the boundary of the North Yorkshire Moors National Park. This unit benefits from a rural setting whilst maintaining accessibility to nearby towns and transport links, offering a convenient location for families and community services.

Internally, the 1,967 sq. Ft unit offers an open plan space, partitioned offices, a reception, secure access and storage space. Whilst, externally, the property benefits from a soft play and grassed area as well as parking for approximately 3 vehicles.

The deadline for tenders to be submitted is by 12 noon on 5th September 2025.

For more information on this tender, please click the link below.

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News

Planning Permission for Expansion at Gisborough Hall



Gisborough Hall has secured planning permission for a new spa, set to open in spring 2026.

Featuring treatment rooms, relaxation lounges, a thermal garden, vitality pool, saunas, steam room, relaxation lounges and a dining space, the investment into this project will show commitment to the four-stay luxury hotel and the potential of the venue.

Lord Gisborough has said "The Sakura Spa represents more than just a new chapter for our hotel, it is a heartfelt investment in wellbeing, inspired by the surrounding woodland." "It is a privilege to help shape something that will serve both our guests and our neighbours for generations to come."

Further details around spa's facilities will be shared ahead of it's opening.

For more information, please click the link below.

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Community news & opportunities

Introducing the Welcome to Breastfeed Scheme for South Tees



The new Welcome to Breastfeed Scheme for South Tees has launched to encourage and support public, private and voluntary sector organisations to widen the focus of their customer and visitor services to meet the needs of mothers and children whilst visiting their premises.

The scheme is open to local businesses that are open to the public, the National Breastfeeding Welcome Scheme found that staff trained to support breastfeeding mums were more likely to apply this to all customers and led to an increase in customer satisfaction.

Businesses who sign up to the scheme will be listed on the Council website to help mothers find places in their local area where they will be welcome to breastfeed their child.

If you are interested in taking part in the scheme or would like further information, contact breastfeedingwelcome@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk.

Download the Welcome to Breastfeed South Tees guide by clicking on the link below for more information on the benefits to your business.

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Help The Junction unlock £30,000 for life changing support!



The Junction Christmas Wish - Match The Magic: Pledge by 29th August 2025.

For the first time <u>The Junction</u> are taking part in the Big Give Christmas Challenge to raise vital funds and change the lives of children and young people across Tees Valley in the upcoming festive season.

This national campaign gives you the opportunity to double the power of your donation, as for one week only, donations made to The Junction through the campaign will be matched \pounds for \pounds , doubling the impact of every gift.

Before the public campaign begins, The Junction need to secure £7,500 in pledges.

For a minimum £100 pledge by the **29th August 2025** your business can help ensure all children have access to the experiences they need to thrive in Tees Valley and help unlock the potential of this exciting opportunity.

Please follow the below link to make your pledge, it only takes a couple of minutes.

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Events

Tees Valley Economic Future Breakfast



Date: Wednesday 17 September 2025

Time: 8:45 - 10:30

Venue: Teesside International Airport

Join us at Teesside International Airport on Wednesday 17th September for this free networking event, exploring the economic drivers, regeneration hotspots and growth sectors shaping Teesside's future

Key discussion points:

- **Economic Drivers and Sectoral Growth** assessing the opportunities that exist in key areas around the Tees Valley.
- **Regeneration Hotspots** how the redevelopment of urban areas and brownfield sites for housing and business growth can be unlocked.
- **Job Creation and Skills** how businesses can attract and retain talent to further economic growth.
- **Investment Priorities** what investment is needed, what funding is available and how it can be used.

To book your place, please use the link below.

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Teesside Expo – Autumn 2025



Date: Thursday 18 September 2025

Time: 10:00 - 15:00

Venue: Riverside Stadium

Join us in the Autumn at the Teesside Expo – the region's premier business networking and showcase event!

Taking place on **Thursday, 18th September 2025**, this dynamic Autumn exhibition will take place at the Riverside Stadium, Middlesbrough and will be an unmissable day of business opportunities, brand exposure, and valuable connections.

Register to exhibit, costs are detailed below or book your FREE delegate ticket for the event.

- 70+ innovative exhibitors showcasing the latest products and services
- Two expert-led seminar areas packed with insightful talks
- Dedicated networking zones to meet potential clients, partners, and industry leaders
- On-site refreshment areas to keep you fuelled for success

Whether you're looking to **raise your profile, generate leads, or gain industry insights**, this biannual event is the go-to destination for businesses across the region.

Showcase Your Business in the Autumn

Looking to boost your brand, increase awareness, and expand your network—all at an affordable cost? Our upcoming business show is the perfect opportunity to connect with potential clients and industry leaders.

Why Exhibit?

- Increase brand visibility
- Build valuable business connections
- Gain exposure at a low cost

Stand Options:

Standard Space: £250 + VAT

Premium Space: £300 + VAT

View the LIVE **Interactive Floorplan** to see available stands and discover who's already booked.

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Cavendish lecture: the grand quest of green steel



Date: Wednesday 27 August 2025

Time: 12:00–13:00

Venue: Hosted on Zoom (free to attend)

Join the Cleveland Institution of Engineers for the next talk in the Cavendish Lecture Series, where they welcome Dr Alexander Fleischanderl, Chief Technology Officer & Global Head of Green Steel, to share his insights.

The talk will summarise the status of decarbonisation progress in the steel sector in various regions in the world, highlighting the different pace and reasons for that. Main technology pathways and solutions of Primetals Technologies will be discussed along the three pillars - electrification, carbon direct avoidance and CCUS.

Major roadblocks and their removal will be addressed - raw material limitation, circularity, energy availability and pricing, skills/people.

Book your place at this **CPD approved** webinar below.

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Kirkleatham Walled Garden Produce and Flower Show 2025



Date: Saturday 27 September 2025

Time: 9:00 - 16:00

Venue: Kirkleatham Walled Garden

Kirkleatham Walled Garden are now delighted to return a tradition to the local area. The flower and produce show is built upon the considerable skills of previous Head Gardeners.

Historical records provide a glimpse of what the gardeners at Kirkleatham were growing over 150 years ago. From early May cucumbers entered into Guisborough Show in 1845 to award winning 'Premier Tulips' in June of 1847, gardeners used the specialist growing conditions that a walled garden provides to extend the growing season.

Judging the show this year will be:

Hazel —Head Gardener at Kirkleatham Walled Garden. Hazel has been at Kirkleatham for 3 years. Prior to this she worked for the National Trust in South Wales and the Midlands.

Sioned and Roy—Apple Orchard Garden Nursery. Sioned and Roy are the owners of the nursery in Skelton.

Di and Julie—Community Stepping Stones. Based in the local communities of Redcar, Dormanstown and Marske, Community Stepping Stones supports people by reducing isolation, increasing new

friendships, increasing positive wellbeing and resilience by promoting community engagement.

Jenni —Ruffled Flowers. Jen has ran Ruffled Flowers for over 9 years, specialising in seasonal and creative wedding floristry. She also runs floristry classes teaching her offbeat style of floral arranging. "With 15 years of floristry experience, from college training through to adapting my own recognisable style - I appreciate all forms of flower arranging and love to encourage people to enjoy floristry. I'm so excited to see people's work and different styles."

For more information on attending the show and how to enter produce, visit link below.

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