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Social Enterprise Links and References

Government documents and websites:

Social Enterprise Action Plan:

http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/third_sector/documents/social_enterprise/se_action_plan_2006.pdf

2002 Government strategy, Social Enterprise, a strategy for success (DTI 2002)

http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/third_sector/documents/social_enterprise/se_strategy_2002.pdf

Cabinet Office – Social Enterprise Action Plan website

http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/third_sector/social_enterprise/action_plan/

Charity and Third Sector Finance Unit:

http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/documents/public_spending_and_services/third_sector/pss_t hirdsector_index.cfm

Your Health, Your Care, Your Say

<http://www.dh.gov.uk/NewsHome/YourHealthYourCareYourSay/fs/en>

Government's approach to public service reform

http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/strategy/work_areas/public_service_reform/index.asp

Public services: why neighbourhoods matter - Includes the idea of social enterprises in regeneration and running community assets.

http://www.communities.gov.uk/pub/899/CitizenEngagementandPublicServicesWhyNeighbourhoodsMatterPDF326Kb_id1162899.pdf

The Third Sector Review

http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/pre_budget_report/prebud_pbr06/other_docs/prebud_pbr06_odthirdsector.cfm

Research on social enterprises

Nation Audit Office - Working with the Third Sector

Highlights the problems of a level playing field.

http://www.nao.org.uk/publications/nao_reports/05-06/050675.pdf

New Economics Foundation - people in public services

“Nef’s research into public services is based on the ideas of mutuality and ‘co-production’, in other words, putting people back into the heart of local services. This approach goes further than consulting people or getting them to participate in meetings. It’s a radical approach that enlists and values the contributions of ordinary people to transform models of public service provision.”

http://www.neweconomics.org/gen/pips_top.aspx?page=1039&folder=174&

New Economics Foundation - The Mutual State – How local communities can run public services

<http://www.neweconomics.org/gen/uploads/The%20Mutual%20State.pdf>

Heriot Watt University institute of Social Enterprises

<http://www.sml.hw.ac.uk/socialenterprise/>

Understanding Social Enterprises and their finances.

<http://www.sml.hw.ac.uk/socialenterprise/understandingSEfinance.pdf>

SBS study of the benefits of public sector procurement from small businesses

http://www.sbs.gov.uk/SBS_Gov_files/services/sme-procurement-study.pdf

Links:

Small Business Service

The Small Business Service (SBS) is an agency of the Department of Trade and Industry. It aims to make the UK an enterprise society that is the best place in the world to start and grow a business.

www.sbs.gov.uk

Businesslink

The official government service, providing advice and information for new and small businesses.

www.businesslink.gov.uk/socialenterprises

Social Enterprise Coalition

The national body for Social Enterprises

www.socialenterprise.org.uk

Scottish Social Enterprise Coalition

Scottish body for Social Enterprises

<http://www.ssec.org.uk/>

Cooperatives UK

The national body for Cooperatives.

www.cooperatives-uk.coop

Office of the Third Sector

The office of the Minister for the Third Sector.

http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/third_sector/

Community Interest Companies Regulator

The Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise) Act 2004 “the Act” established the Regulator as an independent public office holder appointed by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry.

www.cicregulator.gov.uk

Development Trusts Association

The national body for development trusts

The aim of the DTA is a successful development trust in every community that wants one. Development trusts are community owned and led organisations that cultivate enterprise through building assets to secure community prosperity. <http://www.dta.org.uk/>

Social Firms UK

Social Firms UK aims to create employment opportunities for disadvantaged people through the development and support of Social Firms. Social Firms are market-led businesses that are set up specifically to create good quality jobs for people disadvantaged in the labour market.

<http://www.socialfirms.co.uk/>

Sporta

Sporta is the national body for Social and Leisure trusts organisation.

<http://www.sporta.org/>

Community Action Network

CAN is the UK's leading organisation for the development, promotion and support of social entrepreneurs and social enterprises.

<http://www.can-online.org.uk/>

Enterprising Solutions

Award body that runs the annual government recognised social enterprise awards.

www.enterprisingsolutions.org

Proving and improving: a quality and impact toolkit for social enterprise.

Organisations can explore practical ways to measure their impacts and demonstrate the quality of what they do and how they operate.

<http://www.proveandimprove.org/new/tools/index.php>

Adventure Capital Fund

Government-backed fund offering support for community and regeneration organisations.

<http://www.adventurecapitalfund.org.uk/>

Futurebuilders England

Government-backed fund offering support and investment to third sector organisations to deliver public services.

<http://www.futurebuilders-england.org.uk/>

Supply2.gov.uk

A government-backed service designed specifically to give companies easy access to lower-value contract opportunities (typically worth under £100,000) offered by the public sector.

<http://www.supply2.gov.uk/>

Ethical Careers website

Website to advise people on ethical career choices.

<http://www.ethicalcareers.org/>

Charity and Third Sector Finance Unit

The Charity and Third Sector Finance Unit is responsible for strategic policy development across HM Treasury on third sector issues.

http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/documents/public_spending_and_services/third_sector/pss_t hirdsector_index.cfm

Guidance documents:**Treasury document: Guidance to Funders and Purchasers: Improving Financial relations with the third sector (2006)**

<http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/media/485/B9/guidncefunders1505061v1.pdf>

SBS toolkit for social enterprise and procurement

http://www.sbs.gov.uk/SBS_Gov_files/socialenterprise/procure_text.pdf

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