OptimaAlliance

The Business Advisers Alliance in the South West & South Wales

PRACTICAL SERVICES FOR BUSINESS DIRECTORS

About Us

We help business owners achieve their goals. Whether it's boosting profits, increasing sales and marketing, streamlining operations, installing Quality or IT systems, raising finance, planning and implementing an exit strategy, or helping with any other difficult business problem.

All of our Advisers are seasoned and mature business professionals with decades of experience, most often at the board or director level of major companies.

They are well trained in working with business owners and take a highly practical approach to solving problems and enhancing your business, working closely with you at each step of the way.

Because of our low overheads and efficient network structure we can offer services at only a fraction of the cost of the big consultancy companies.

We provide practical, expert advice with "hands on" implementation at a cost that small businesses can afford

Our Services

We are truly in the business of helping business owners to achieve their goals. Typically, we start with services that address the most difficult problems facing the business, and then, over time, as these problems are solved, new business goals are set and different services are required.

We believe . . . actions speak louder than words!

The most common services we provide are those that help to increase sales, reduce costs, implement quality systems, improve marketing through web sites, brochures and targeted campaigns, select and implement IT systems, finance expansion, comply with health and safety regulations and arrange sale of company.

The list on this page is by no means comprehensive. It is only provided to give an indication of the extent and depth of our capabilities to help business owners.

All of our services are carefully tailored for each client's business and fit into an agreed strategy for achieving each business owner's goals.

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- Accounting Systems
- Administration Systems
- Advertisements
- Bad Debt Collection
- Brochures
- Business Plans
- Cash Flow Management
- Company Rescue Strategies
- Company Valuations
- Cost Reduction
- Credit Control
- Credit Risk Alerts
- Customer Incentive Schemes
- Direct Mail Databases
- eCommerce Sites
- Employee Incentive Schemes
- Expansion Planning
- Export Strategies
- Foreign Exchange
- Franchising
- Grant Searches & Applications
- Health & Safety
- Human Resources
- Industrial Relations
- Insurances
- Interim Management
- International Trading
- Investors In People
- ISO 9000 /14000
- IT Selection & Implementation
- Loans / Financial Re-Structuring
- Logistics Planning
- Managing Overseas Partners
- Market Research
- Marketing Lists
- Marketing Plans
- Mergers, Acquisitions & Disposals
- New Business Strategies
- New Company Establishment
- No Win No Fee Legal Services
 Arrangement
- Pension Planning
- Production Studies
- Project Management
- Public Relations
- Purchasing
- Sale of Company
- Sales Coaching
- Sales Training
- Security
- Seminars & Exhibitions
- Staff Development
- Succession Planning
- Taxation Minimisation
- Total Quality Management
- Training
- Trouble Shooting
- Venture / Angel Capital Arrangement
- Web Sites
- and many others . . .

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Accountancy & Tax

Accounting and tax. Installation and monitoring of accounting systems. Developing applications from Microsoft Office applications, Excel and Access for management accounting and information provision. Mapping applications for internal control reviews. Tax planning for the family business.



Malcolm Bentley General Management, M&A Business Management, Strategic Planning, Financial Planning & Budgeting, Cash Flow Forecasts, Buying & Selling Businesses, MBOs, Business & Management Integration, Change Management, Project Management, Business Valuations, Developing Teams & Risk Analysis.



George Bullivant **Change Management** General sleeves-rolled-up management advice (no reports) for companies £0.5M - £10M. Developing useful management information to guide decisions and build bank confidence. Building management teams, improving staff relations and performance.



Martin Carter

Roddy Ando

Quality ISO9000, ISO14000, ISO1779, BS7858, BS7499 and ISO/TS16949. Design, development and implementation of quality, environmental, information and manned security management systems.



John Cheal

Manufacturing Interim management, Production management, Lean Manufacturing, Production Planning & Control, Logistics, Manufacturing Systems, Project Management, Manufacturing Strategy, Purchasing & Procurement, Inventory Control.



Harry Childs Sales & Public Relations Sales, Sales Training, Sales Management, Sales Coaching, Sales Scripts (telephone and field), Sales Presenter Design, Sales Literature Design, Sales Literature writing and editing, Web Site text writing, Advertising Design, Writing Press Releases.



Andy Christie **Sales Generation** Sales growth. Sales planning and implementation. New customer acquisition. Business expansion. Preparation for sale/exit. Business turnaround.



Kurt Christopherson Marketing Market Planning, Business Development, Business Strategy, IT, Websites, eCommerce, eBusiness, Marketing Communications, Brochures, Adverts, Public Relations, Product Development, Public Speaking (also registered professional QuickBooks accounting software adviser).



General Management

Frank Colam Proven track record of enhancing profits & growth by developing winning product /marketing strategies and by attracting /retaining customers. Proud to have established myself as a successful operations director. Combining expertise in P&L management & strategic planning.



Dave Crisp

John Dabbs

Mostyn Davies

Geoff Dimmock

Executive Coaching · Business Analysis & problem solving skills · Project Management skills · Change Management · Utility & Environmental Solutions



provide marketing agency services including winning profitable new customers, market research, business analysis, marketing communications, Public Relations, design

and build of website and e-commerce solutions.

BDM Client Partnership through its partner network can



General Management

Business Development

Coaching & Utilities

Manufacturing and General Management Business Support. Management and supervisory mentoring. Health, Safety and Environmental support services. Corporate activity organisation - conferences / meetings / training / hospitality.



Richard Davis Change Management

Facilitation, Strategy, Communication, Goal-setting, Organisational Design, Benchmarking, Project and Programme Management, Business Process Design, Improvement and Control, Defence Procurement.



Health & Safety

Advice & assistance with the Management of Health & Safety including Audits, Policy Statements, Risk Assessment, C.O.S.H.H. Assessments, Manual Handling Assessment, Fire Risk Assessment, Display Screen Assessment, Provision of Emergency Procedures & Training.



Allan Edwards General Business & I.T. Practical advice on getting the best out of I.T. in small and medium sized businesses. Investigating requirements, proposing a solution and then carrying out the implementation, training and on-going support.



Roger Empson **Telecommunications** Telecommunications - least cost supplier selection.



Mike Gould **Sales & Marketing** Mike Gould has spent the last 38 years creating, building and

then successfully selling small and medium sized businesses. He has created and sold 4 of these ranging from a contract cleaning company, to a small chain of hotels.





Ian Heard

Developing Lean Approaches in Service Organisations.

Business Strategy Business strategy and planning, general management, equity and debt finance, business recovery, financial analysis, change management, communication, people management and team building.

Business Management Business Strategy & Planning, Change Management, Creative Problem Solving & Facilitation, Operations



Graham Hodges Business Turnaround General business trouble-shooting, Operational P&L management, Business profitability turnaround, Organisational restructuring, negotiation of outsourcing contracts, service transition, new contract delivery, Business Rates rate relief and general management advice.



Roger Holland Business Support & Dev. People Management, Debt collection and working capital improvement, Customer Management in personal, business and commercial sectors, Human Resources operations management, Project and programme directorship - CRM, Universal Bank, Branch mergers.



Richard Howard General Management Broad general management experience. Business Development, Marketing, Business and Sales Strategy, Business Planning, Internal and External Communications, Staff Retention, Business Analysis. A keen understanding of SME dynamics.



Bob Keightley IT & General Management IT strategy, analysis of business systems requirements, implementation of IT systems, database systems development, expert use of Microsoft Office. Provision of IT training services. General small company management, recruitment, exit strategies, preparing companies for sale.



Conrad Lohr Financial Management, ROI Financial Management, Working Capital Management, Gross Margin Improvement, Overhead Cost Reduction, Net Margin Improvement, ROI Improvement, Cashflow Planning & Control, Interim Financial Management, Interim Financial Director, Strategic Planning, Business Planning.



Declan Lynch Human Resource Management Human Resource Policy & Strategy, Recruitment & Selection, Management Development, Training Needs Analysis, Investors in People, Employee Participation & Involvement Strategies, Performance Management & Appraisal Processes, Employment Law, Employment Contracts.



John Marsh **Strategic Planning** Strategic planning, Operational planning, Programme Management, Project Management, Defence Acquisition and Procurement in particular a detailed understanding of the Ministry of Defence's processes and procedures, Security, Risk Management, Drafting Business Cases and Goal setting.



Chris Olchawski **General Management** Truly experienced General Manager with wide experience of profit orientated business and not for profit organisations, usually developing a business strategy and implementing it. Good analytical skills. Good track record of people development. Enthusiastic!



Business Development Glenn Pearson General and Operational management for SME and Multi-Nationals. Business Development and Strategy: Change management; Financial and Budget Planning; Company Restructuring; Quality monitoring Programmes. Development of Sales & Marketing Programmes to improve market share.



Derek Price General Business Advice

Information Technology, Businesses Management, Financial & Operational Administration, IT Business Solutions (analyse, design, improve, train and implement), CRM, Proof of Delivery, Project Management, Event Organisation.



Malcolm Randall

Property Consultant Specific abilities in acquisition, leasehold and freehold negotiations, planning applications, building regulations, structural and architectural design, project management, construction, financial control, security and health and safety law. General skills in business management at board level.



Risk Management

All aspects of International Trade (Export & Import) Currency Risk Management specialist. Cross-cultural management skills.



Andrea Steel

Peter Stewart

James Roe

Executive Coaching

Business Coaching · Committed & focused professional manager · Analytical, problem solving skills · Organisational skills · Experienced in managing accounts · Excellent skills in initiating and developing long term client relationships · Successful trainer of staff at all levels.



Change Management

Change Management & Management Control, Process Improvement & Implementation, Management Information & Analysis, Management Reporting Systems, Multidisciplinary & Multinational Product Development Project & Programme Management.



Ian Thomas **Business Development** B2B Marketing, Supply Chain Management, Strategy

Development and Implementation, Change Management, Programme Management, Project Management, Structural Integration, Cost to serve analysis, Business start up and Turnaround



Steve Turner

Manufacturing An experienced manager and consultant with a track record of delivering enhanced results by improving performance and reducing costs.



Angus Wans Human Resources All aspects of Human Resource & Personnel Management, Recruitment, Appraisal, Training & Development, Employment Contracts and their variance, Employment Terms & Conditions, Industrial & Employee Relations, Redundancy Handling & Administration, Health & Safety.



General Management

General "hands on" management advice, Interim Management, Project Management, Document Scanning, Storage and Conversion to/from Microfilm Solutions, Process Improvement, Strategic Planning, Construction Project Management, Business Coaching & Mentoring.

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