



West Lothian Business Week

18th – 22nd of May 2026



West Lothian Business Week

Get involved in West Lothian Business Week 2026, taking place from Monday, the 18th of May – Friday, the 22nd of May 2026!

This is an opportunity to:



Attend
Exciting Events



Connect with
Likeminded Entrepreneurs



Celebrate
Local Businesses



Key Dates

- **Monday, the 18th of May**– West Lothian Business Week begins
- **Monday, the 18th of May** – ‘Design-Led Innovation: Big Ideas for Small Businesses’ Workshop
- **Tuesday, the 19th of May**– ‘Simplifying the Business Start Up Process’ Event
- **Wednesday, the 20th of May** – ‘International HR Day’ Employability Event
- **Thursday, the 22nd of May** – ‘Meet the Council’ Drop-In Event
- **Friday, the 22nd of May** – ‘West Lothian Business Week’ Networking Event
- **Friday, the 22nd of May** – West Lothian Business Week Ends

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Attend a Business Week Event



Design-Led Innovation: Big Ideas for Small Businesses

We're kicking off West Lothian Business Week with an exciting new workshop on Monday, the 18th of May!

Join us to:

- ✓ Spot opportunities for growth, efficiency, and differentiation
- ✓ Learn how to test ideas quickly without wasting time or money
- ✓ Build confidence in creativity and problem-solving
- ✓ Learn how to use simple, repeatable tools you can apply immediately.



Simplifying the Business Start Up Process

Are you thinking of starting, or have you recently started, a business in West Lothian?

Join us on Tuesday, the 19th of May, to:

- ✓ Discover the wide range of support that is available to help new and aspiring entrepreneurs navigate the start up process
- ✓ Meet our Start Up Advisers
- ✓ Hear from an inspiring panel of local business owners
- ✓ Network with other likeminded business owners.



'International HR Day' Employability Event

On Wednesday, the 20th of May, Access2Employment will be celebrating International HR Day with an exciting event.

Join us to:

- ✓ Learn more about the HR policies that all businesses should be aware of
- ✓ Get helpful tips on how to successfully implement the policies within your business
- ✓ Have the opportunity to ask questions specific to your business.



Meet the Council Drop In Event

Come along on Thursday, the 21st of May, and learn more about the support available to help your business grow.

Join us to:

- ✓ Discover the wide range of business support available in West Lothian
- ✓ Meet the Business Gateway West Lothian Advisers
- ✓ Meet the consultants offering fully-funded support as part of our Expert Help Programme
- ✓ Network with other likeminded business owners.



West Lothian Business Week Networking Event

We're ending West Lothian Business Week with an exciting networking event on Friday, the 22nd of May!

Join us to:

- ✓ Celebrate the success of West Lothian Business Week
- ✓ Hear from inspiring guest speaker, *local business owner*
- ✓ Raise awareness of your own business
- ✓ Connect with other likeminded local business owners



External Events



External Events Calendar

Alongside our own events, we will also be promoting relevant business events that our partner organisations are hosting during the week.

The events will be listed on the Invest in West Lothian events calendar.

If you would like us to include an event that your organisation is hosting, please send the details to invest@westlothian.gov.uk



Social Media



Templates

Help us raise awareness of West Lothian Business Week by showing your support on social media.

You can do this by engaging with our posts, or by sharing posts directly from your own accounts.

We have prepared some helpful templates that you are welcome to use. You can access them here: [*LINK*](#)



Suggested Caption

We are proud to support #WestLothianBizWeek!

Organised by @Invest in West Lothian and @Business Gateway West Lothian, West Lothian Business Week is a celebration of local businesses. There are exciting events taking place this week, including *event name*, which we will be attending.

You can learn more and get involved here: *LINK*



LinkedIn Challenge

To raise awareness of West Lothian Business Week, we are challenging our team and local businesses to take part in our LinkedIn Challenge.

Everyone is welcome to get involved, all you have to do is share a post each day in response to our prompt.

Don't forget to use #WestLothianBizWeek and tag @Invest in West Lothian and @Business Gateway West Lothian in your posts!

#WestLothianBizWeek
LinkedIn Challenge

Monday, 18th of May
Introduce Yourself!

Tuesday 19th of May
What is your favourite thing about your role?

Wednesday, 20th of May
What is a project you have worked on that you are proud of?

Thursday, 21st of May
What piece of advice would you give to someone starting/growing a business in West Lothian?

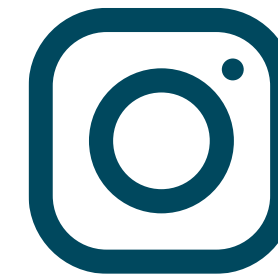
Friday, 22nd of May
Where is your favourite place in West Lothian?



Contact Us

If you have any questions or would like to learn more, please email invest@westlothian.gov.uk





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