

Supporting businesses from startup to scale up

Our 2026 vision to support your success

Who we are

Ards Business Hub was established in 1988 and we have been helping entrepreneurs and businesses in the Newtownards area ever since.

As a social enterprise, the company uses effective business principles to deliver real social results and impact. We are governed by a board of voluntary directors, who meet monthly to provide strategic direction to the management and staff.

Our Directors come from a range of professional backgrounds and give freely of their time and expertise to support, guide and challenge the organisation to fulfil our purpose.



Our Vision

Our Values



Integrity



Accountability



Professionalism



Openness



Fairness



Co-operation

Recent Progress



New 3 year
strategy
agreed



Board
refreshed



3

Female
board
members
appointed

1

Female
boardroom
apprentice
appointed



1

Male
board
member
appointed



Agreement in principle
to establish a Social
Investment Fund

Future Business Outcomes

Provide enterprise awareness support

Focusing on home workers, those with caring responsibilities and students, to reduce economic inactivity levels, as whilst ANDBC is lower than the NI average, it is increasing on an annual basis.

Explore mentoring opportunities for fledgling businesses

As ANDBC has a large and growing population, particularly in the over 65-year age bracket.

Explore supporting creative industries

Focusing on non-craft based sectors such as TV, Media, Art, Film and Video as currently Retail, Health and Social Care are the two largest employers in the Borough.

Establish new partnerships and enhance existing relationships

With local stakeholders to increase brand awareness of Ards Business Hub locally.

Develop a capital development plan

To ensure business accommodation needs are met for businesses at the incubation and startup stage of their entrepreneurial journey.

Success Stories

Nightcap Event Group

Declan Holmes & Dean McFarland

www.nightcapeventgroup.com

Nightcap Event Group Ltd provides drinks and cocktail services for weddings, corporate events, private parties and hospitality businesses as well as providing highly trained hospitality and events staff for venues.

Why they chose Ards Business Hub

"Ards Business Hub is perfect for us. We have a great space at Strangford Park which provides an office and stores plus we can use the conference rooms for staff training, which is very important. We've also had excellent support and advice from the team at Ards Business Hub, which will help us continue to grow."



Inspiring Yarns

Claire Anketell, Tracey Whitehead and Janice Moore

www.inspiringyarns.co.uk

As a Social Enterprise, Inspiring Yarns is so much more than a wonderful shop selling hand-dyed yarns, embroidery supplies, craft kits, looms and spinning wheels. The company ethos is to reduce social isolation and improve mental health and well-being through group knitting and crochet projects. They employ five people and have further expansion planned.

Why they chose Ards Business Hub

"We really like the spirit of Ards Business Hub; it's very friendly and we've got to know the other tenants near us. The free parking appeals to our customers and we've recently received a grant to install a disabled toilet into our unit."



People HQ

Greg Quinn

www.peoplehq.co.uk

Greg Quinn started People HQ, a consultancy offering expert Human Resources and Recruitment solutions, in 2019. Greg wanted to share his 25 years of HR leadership experience working in industry and has been adding value to clients such as Linden Foods, Dale Farm, Downeys Cars, On Track Technicians and Avondale Foods.

Why they chose Ards Business Hub

"We had been searching for just the right location. When a unit came up in Sketrick House in Ards Business Hub in October 2022, I was delighted. It is exactly what we need as the business grows. I particularly like the meeting and conference rooms, which are ideal for our training work. The centre is very professional; it creates a strong impression for our clients and enhances our own brand"



ActionCOACH

Peter Magee

www.bangor.actioncoach.co.uk

Peter Magee is a coach with the international business coaching company ActionCOACH. He is using the experience he has gained in senior management roles over the past 20 years to coach company owners looking to develop their businesses and create a healthy work-life balance. He was ready for a fresh challenge himself, wanting to give something back to the business community in Northern Ireland. Having moved to Bangor 22 years ago, he wanted to set up his business in the local area. After viewing many different options for office space, he chose a unit in Sketrick House in Ards Business Hub because it offered exactly what he required.

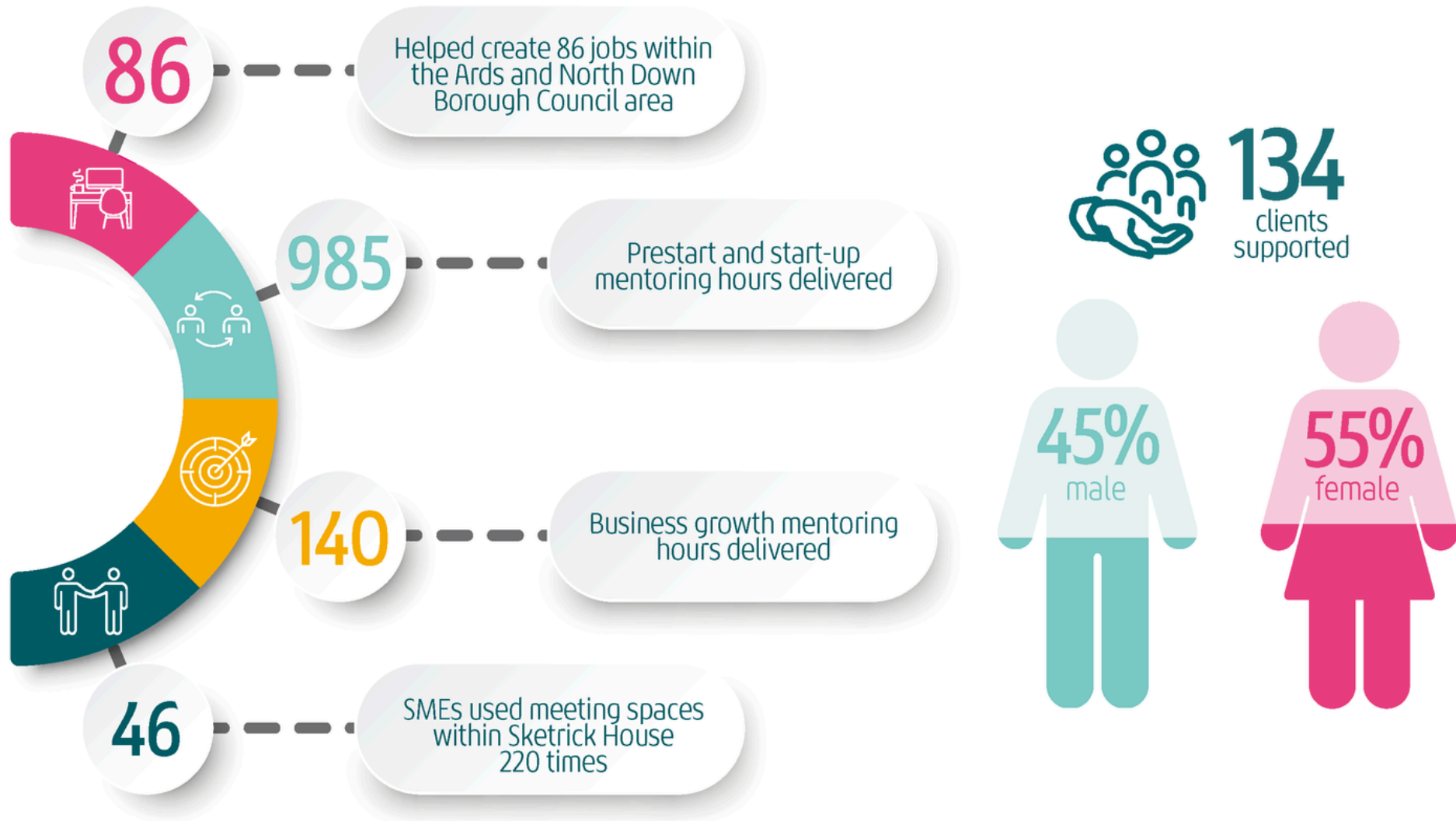
Why he chose Ards Business Hub

"As soon as I walked in, I knew it was perfect for me. It's very professionally run and has a lovely ambience that is very welcoming for my clients. In addition to the great office space, I needed conference rooms for seminars and other meetings and the space at Ards Business Hub is truly first class."



2023 Economic & Social Impact

All our profits are reinvested in the local community



Our Sites

Ards Business Hub is situated across three distinct business parks in Newtownards. Each park has its own character and offers a mix of units and offices on flexible rental terms.



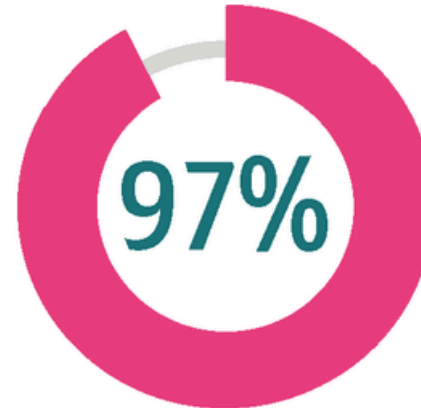
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SME'S

Employing
more than



200
people

Across
3 sites



Average occupancy
across 3 sites



>80K
sq.ft. of serviced
business
accommodation



£162k
business rates
generated



Take the first step & get in touch

Whether you are thinking about starting a business, looking for a premises or just need a place to work for the day, we are here to help you.

Located in the heart of the Ards Peninsula, Ards Business Hub is your place to do business. We have three business parks, offering flexible office and commercial space, so whether you're starting out,

scaling up or settling down, Ards Business Hub is here for you. If you're serious about business or need business support, our experienced and friendly team of advisors are only a phone call away.

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