





Welcome

One of the key benefits of the collaboration that drives the Winchester BID is the collective buying power of over 750 organisations.

Outlined in this document are 8 ways that your BID membership can help you save money - many businesses may even be able to recoup the full cost of their BID levy by using these services.

With best wishes
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ENERGY

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The cost of energy has increased dramatically in recent years and navigating contract renewals can be tricky and far from the top of the list for busy business owners.

Our expert partners at Meercat Associates can handle renewal negotiations for you and have a proven record of making significant savings for businesses large and small.



MERCHANT FEES

In an increasingly cashless society the cost of credit and debit card transactions can take a real toll on small businesses. Working with our partners at Meercat Associates we can assist businesses with reducing the percentage cost of these transactions.



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Telecoms bills can often be made needlessly complicated however our partners at Meercat Associates can analyse itemised bills and secure the best market rates to save you time and money. These telecom experts will navigate this complex market and use our buying group to secure the best market rates whilst taking away the confusion.



PEST CONTROL

Meercat will commission pest control advisors to arrange a site inspection at a time that is convenient for you. During this visit, they will create a detailed recommendation based on your individual circumstances and recommend an approach that will work for your business. The service covers infestations across food and non-food premises, including rodent, bird and insect control.



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TESTING

Testing covers a wide range of areas many of which are vital for the health and safety of you and your employees and are therefore required by law. With such a wide variety of testing carried out every year many businesses are sticking with what they know and are therefore paying over the odds.

Our partners at Meercat can help you with:

- Fire Risk Assessments
- Health & Safety Risk Assessments
- Fire Warden Training
- DSE Assessments
- Legionella Water Testing
- Periodic Inspection Reporting - Fixed Wire Testing
- Fire Alarm Testing
- Fire Extinguisher Servicing
- Thermal Imaging
- Emergency Lighting Testing
- PAT Testing
- Electrical Maintenance; Planned & Reactive

WASTE & RECYCLING

Your business has a legal responsibility to dispose of waste appropriately and waste must be collected by an approved contractor. No matter how small your business you are not permitted to take waste from your premises home. Furthermore businesses are increasingly understanding the importance of recycling and diverting waste from landfill.

Winchester BID have negotiated a preferential rate with Southern Waste Management, an independent local firm. SWM handle general waste, mixed dry recycling, glass collection and food waste and guarantee zero waste to landfill. Meaning you can be confident that you are fulfilling your environmental responsibility whilst getting a great deal.



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SAVINGS & ADVISORY SERVICE

Joining the Hampshire Chamber of Commerce can open all kinds of doors to your business. The Chamber and the BID work closely on a variety of projects including the Winchester Business Excellence Awards.

Winchester BID levy payers can enjoy a 20% discount on their membership fees.

