

## Better Business Skills Grant now at 80%

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### Why skills investment matters more than ever

Investing in skills has always been one of the smartest ways a business can strengthen its future, and from 2026, it's becoming even more accessible. The Better Business Skills Grant has been updated to offer **up to 80% funding for eligible training**, giving businesses across Jersey a real boost as they plan ahead.



### Removing one of the biggest barriers: cost

For many organisations, the biggest barrier to developing their team has always been cost. By increasing the funding level from 50% to 80%, the updated Skills Grant eases that pressure and makes it easier to take on meaningful, confidence-building training that supports both individual growth and business-wide improvement. Whether it's leadership development, technical upskilling, sector-specific qualifications or nurturing future managers, this change opens the door for more employers to invest in the people who

drive their business forward.

**“Skills are critical to productivity and long-term business success. Increasing the level of support available through the Skills Grant makes it easier for businesses to invest in their people and build the capability they need to grow.”**

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### **Proven impact for Jersey businesses**

The impact of skills investment is already proven. In 2025, 54 businesses benefited from Skills Grants, with over £311,000 supporting the development of Jersey’s workforce. Now, with greater funding available and the option for businesses to apply for two Skills Grants per year, even more organisations will be able to build capability, unlock new ideas and strengthen long-term resilience.

### **How the Skills Grant fits into the wider Better Business Grant**

The Skills Grant sits within the broader Better Business Grant programme, which supports productivity, skills, and the visitor economy, and also includes £2,000 Apprenticeship Grants to help employers bring new talent into their organisation. While Productivity and Visitor Economy Grants remain at 50%, the uplift in Skills funding reflects a growing recognition that people are at the heart of every business improvement journey.

### **Is now the right time for your business?**

Whether you’re planning ahead for growth, navigating change, or simply wanting to give your team the support they deserve, the 80% Skills Grant offers a valuable opportunity to make training more affordable and more achievable.

### **Find out more and apply**

If you’ve been considering investing in your team, now is the perfect moment to explore what’s possible.

Learn more about the updated Skills Grant and how to [apply here](#).