

Flexible finance for social enterprises, designed and delivered by social enterprises



From healthcare to homelessness, leisure centres to children's homes and artisan loaves to coffee, social enterprises provide many services and products.



Many social enterprises, co-operatives, trusts and trading charities want to grow but can't access finance.

- There are fewer financial products tailored to their needs
- They are misperceived as riskier to invest in than other businesses
- They are often led by underserved people who face higher barriers to securing funding

Social enterprises:



help people into work, education and training



boost biodiversity and reduce environmental impact



work with vulnerable adults, children and young people, and communities with complex needs



create assets which people need and want



run flexible, preventative health and care services

Responsible Finance's members are social enterprises. **10 specialise in loans, grants and blended finance for social enterprises and charities.** They:

- offer flexible and patient capital plus tailored business support
- help social enterprises to start, become sustainable and grow
- champion social entrepreneurs in underserved and excluded communities
- enable social enterprises to maximise impact, reinvigorate places and build stronger local economies

Social enterprises support their communities, doing vital work which is often unrecognised even as we use their products and services. Our members have "got their back" and want to grow their impact – but long-term funding is crucial. **Accelerate the impact economy:** responsiblefinance.org.uk/social-enterprise