

Annual Business Review Toolkit

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Business Performance Review

The purpose of this toolkit is to help you understand how well your business is performing and to highlight aspects that need improvement.

In particular, you will appraise your

- Business plan
- Vision
- * Management
- Product service
- * Business operations
- Finances
- Industry/market
- Competition
- ❖ Sales and marketing
- Customer service
- ❖ Legal and Regulatory
- * Risk and Succession

At the end of the toolkit there is a SMART goal setting template to help you transition from review to planning and action.

Date	
Review Period	
Company Vision/Mission	
Goals at the beginning of the year (2016)	
Major Accomplishments	

SWOT ANALYSIS: Provide information as of time of review

Strengths	Weaknesses
Opportunities	Threats

Business plan	Yes	No
Do I have a business plan?		
If yes, is it investor ready		

Vision	Yes	No
Have I clearly articulated the big picture of my business into		
a rallying statement?		
Is my vision statement visible for my staff and customers to		
see		
What fundamental principles drive your business?		

Management	Yes	No
Is my business incorporated and registered with CAC?		
Do I need to review the company structure?		
Do I have a board of advisors?		

Product/Service	
How is your product/service positioned in the	
market?	
Are you satisfied with your packaging?	
What changes will you introduce to your	
product/service in the coming year?	

Business Operations	Yes	No
Is my business operating in a good location?		
Is there room for me to grow or scale back?		
Do I have the necessary technology and IT services		
required for my business?		
Do I have systems and processes		
Key operational achievements of the year?		
What areas do you want to improve on for the coming		
year?		

Finances	Yes	No
Do I have updated financial statements		
Is my cash flow positive?		
Will I require additional working capital?		
Am I comfortable with my costs?		
Does my business have debt?		
Do I intend to borrow?		

Human Resources		No
Do I have the right people in the right roles?		
Do they know what is required of them?		
Do I have a training and development plan?		
Do I have an incentive program?		
Do I pay as well as the competition		
Did I have high employee turnover?		
Are my staff motivated and satisfied?		

Industry and Market	
What new changes/trends are in the market?	
Changes in my customers' needs	
Is there new technology I can use?	
Is there a new government policy that can affect me?	

Competition	
Who are my main competitors?	
What are they offering that I am not?	
How do they price their products/services?	
What advantages do they have over me?	
What are their disadvantages?	

Sales and Marketing	
How are customers hearing about my business?	
What social media platforms do I utilize?	
Is my branding consistent across all my platforms?	
Do I have a marketing budget?	
Where are most of your sales coming from?	

Customer Service	
Does my business have a designated customer service	
officer?	
Has everybody being trained on customer service?	
Is there a procedure for handling complaints?	
How do I reward customers?	
How do I measure customer satisfaction?	

Legal and Regulatory						
Do I have a business account?						
Is my business tax compliant?						
Am I aware of all the regulatory agencies overseeing						
my business?						

Risk and Succession						
Is my business information backed up?						
Can my systems be easily hacked?						
Do I have a risk/disaster recovery plan?						
Is there someone to back me up if I am suddenly						
unavailable?						

Business Goals (in order of priority)

Objective	Specific (S)	Measurable	Attainable	Relevant (R)	Time based	Achieved
		(M)	(A)		(T)	(Yes/No)
What do	-Who will	-How much	-How	-Does it tie in	-When will it	
you want to	do it?	will be	achievable	with your	be done?	
do?	-What will	done?	is this goal?	vision?	Give a specific	
	they do?	-Milestones	-Is it	-Is it necessary	date	
	-Why are	-How will	challenging?	and needed?		
	they doing	you know	-Is it	-Is there a		
	it?	when it has	reasonable?	sense of		
	-Where will	been done?		urgency		
	it be done?	-What		attached?		
	-When will	measure will		-What issue		
	it be done?	you use to		will it help you		
		quantify		address?		
		your results?				
		- % , rates,				
		quantity				
Goal 1						
Goal 2						
Goal 3						
Goal 4						
Goal 5						