



Update

Autumn 2014

business
accountants
for business
people

Welcome to our autumn 2014 Update. It's time to get in gear for the final quarter of the year so we're giving you a head start.

Auto enrolment for workplace pensions

We can't stress enough the importance of this so as a reminder here are some steps to consider:

- UK businesses who employ one or more workers have to put them into a pension scheme
- To comply, you must work out who's affected and choose a pension scheme for them. You'll have to communicate changes, enrol your workers into your scheme and make contributions.

Our clients are already enforcing this so speak to one of our local [AIMS Accountants](#) today.

Cash savings for your business

Most small businesses only have cash savings to last two weeks, which is not good news if something unforeseen forces them to cease trading temporarily. Always put cash aside for a rainy day – silly not to.

Want to increase your cash savings? Speak to your local [AIMS Accountant](#) today.

Employment law

The Government has announced several new changes to employment law that include the national minimum wage increase.

Our clients already know about this but if you want to keep ahead, speak to one of our local [AIMS Accountants](#) today.

Home business initiative

As part of the Government's drive to encourage more "kitchen table" start-ups, this initiative will mean that entrepreneurs will no longer be required to file for planning permission to run a home-based business or to pay business rates. The Government will also bring in a new tenancy agreement making it easier to run firms from rented accommodation.

Most of our accountants work from home so who better to talk to? Speak to your local [AIMS Accountant](#) today.

Let property campaign

The campaign gives people an opportunity to bring their tax affairs up to date if they are an individual landlord letting out residential property in the UK or abroad. This could apply to you; your colleagues or your friends so sort it out and contact HM Revenue & Customs.

Most tax and accounting issues are complicated but our clients don't have this problem because they are dealing with an AIMS Accountant.

Join our network of happy clients and contact your local [AIMS Accountant](#) today.

RTI Penalties

We make no apology for repeating this warning. Under the new timetable for penalties, if you want to avoid additional interest charges and penalty fees, make sure you submit yours early.

Our clients don't have these issues because they are dealing with a qualified accountant.

To stay ahead, be clever and contact your local [AIMS Accountant](#) today.

Tools of the trade – Do you need Twitter?

Here's something a little different for you to think about. We all know how powerful certain tools can be for any business but are they necessary? We don't think so. For instance:

- What would a greengrocer do with Twitter or Facebook?
- Not every business needs the latest IT – does yours?
- There are some great marketing tools that work just as well such as: local online directories and one of the greatest tools of them all – WORD OF MOUTH.

Why are we telling you this? Because we use these tools and like our accountants we want to share the knowledge with you!