



Overview – *The Alison Rose Review of Female Entrepreneurship Report*



- A joint UK government and financial services industry partnership to boost women's entrepreneurship in the UK.
- Commissioned by the UK Government and delivered by NatWest Bank, one of UK's largest banks, the **Rose Review report** identified key barriers faced by women trying to start or grow their business. Alison Rose, who is the author of this report, is the CEO of NatWest Group and is the first female CEO to lead a major UK bank.
- The report provided eight recommendations to address these barriers and unlock the £250 billion worth of economic value that exists within the UK.
- UK Government accepted the recommendations and set an ambition to increase women entrepreneurs by half, or equivalent to 600,000, in the UK by 2030.



Key barriers identified in the report

FUNDING

FAMILY CARE

RISK APPETITE

BIAS

NETWORK

Recommendations from the *Rose Review* report



Progress

- Launched the 'Investing in Women Code' which now has +66 signatories, including major UK financial institutions. Annual lending volumes towards women-led businesses to be published in 2021.
- Launched best practice guidelines to encourage venture capital organisations to invest in female entrepreneurs.
- NatWest Bank is now running a £2 billion lending programme for women entrepreneurs. Business Growth Fund and Coutts – two of UK's leading investment companies – are due to launch the 'UK Enterprise Fund' to invest in diverse and high potential women-led businesses.
- BEIS's delivery partner Be The Business, in partnership with NatWest Bank, have launched the 'Rose Review Female Entrepreneurs Mentoring Programme' which will provide free, hands-on mentorship advice to female-led businesses
- Launched the 'Invest in Women Hub', a one-stop information shop to help women entrepreneurs access information on funding options, networks and expertise.
- Capital repayment holidays.

Thank you for your interest and for your patience

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