Teach yourself how to build a Business Case for a Social Enterprise

> 2a. Hands On Modelling Three Starting Models

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The worked examples on this website are not 'template' business models with blanks to be filled in \rightarrow to magically give you a result!

Instead they can be used as a flying start for you to adapt for your project. (Every business model will be unique and created for a specific project so you will need to reconstruct them to your own project's needs.) A. Firstly, choose one of three layouts from the worked examples on this free website: -

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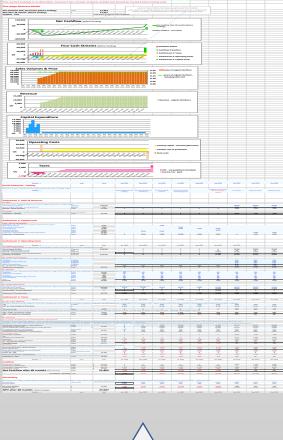
The business model is likely to be small, but fully functional, and fit on one or two 'pages' of an Excel workbook. It will help decide if the project/idea looks promising and so worth studying more deeply, or whether it should be dropped/revamped.

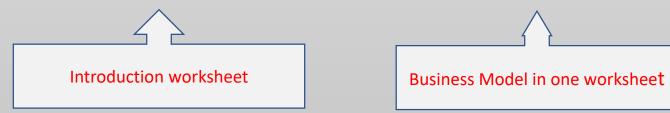
For small projects this model may be completely adequate.

i. a simple business model

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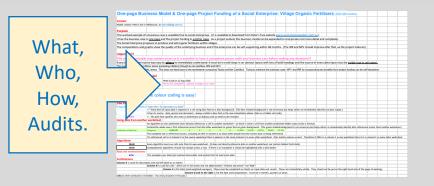




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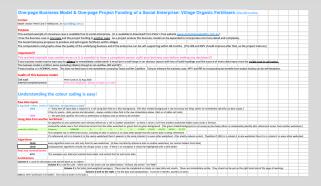




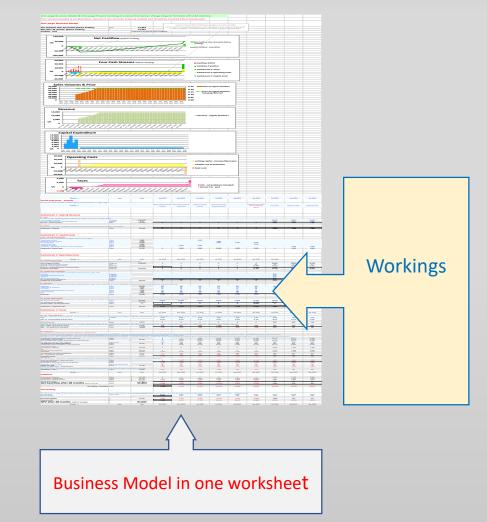
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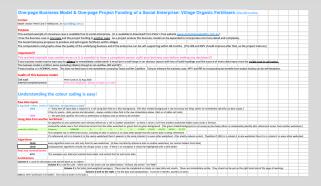


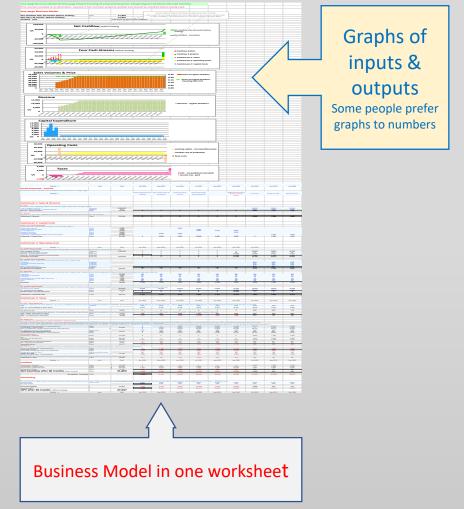
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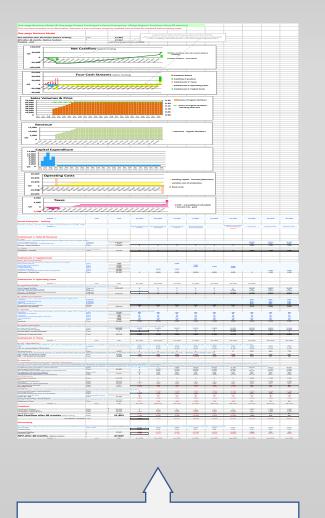


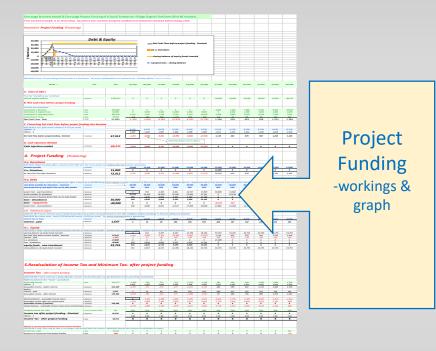
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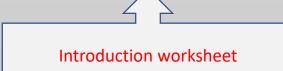
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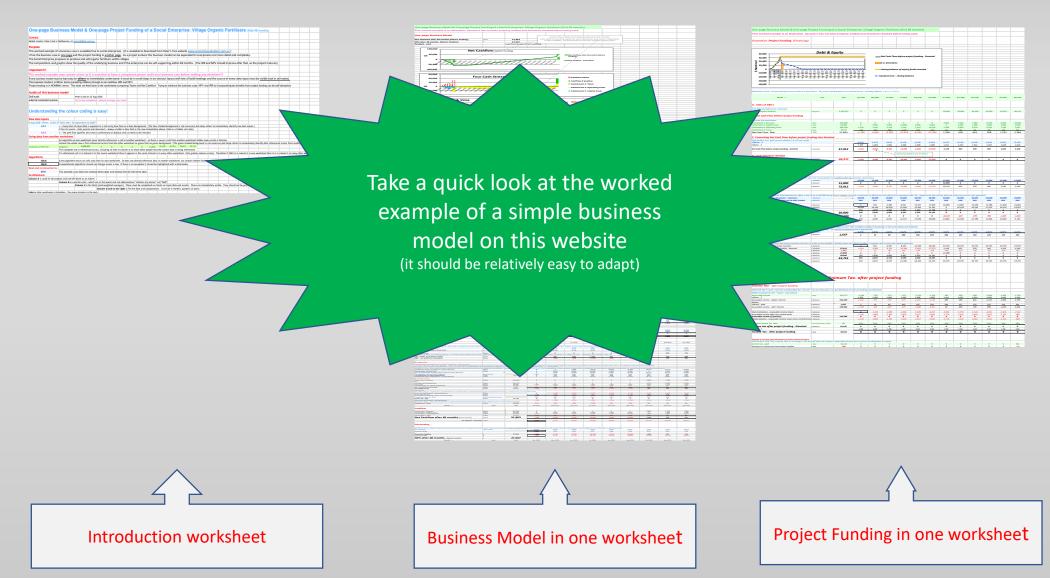




Business Model in one worksheet

Project Funding in one worksheet

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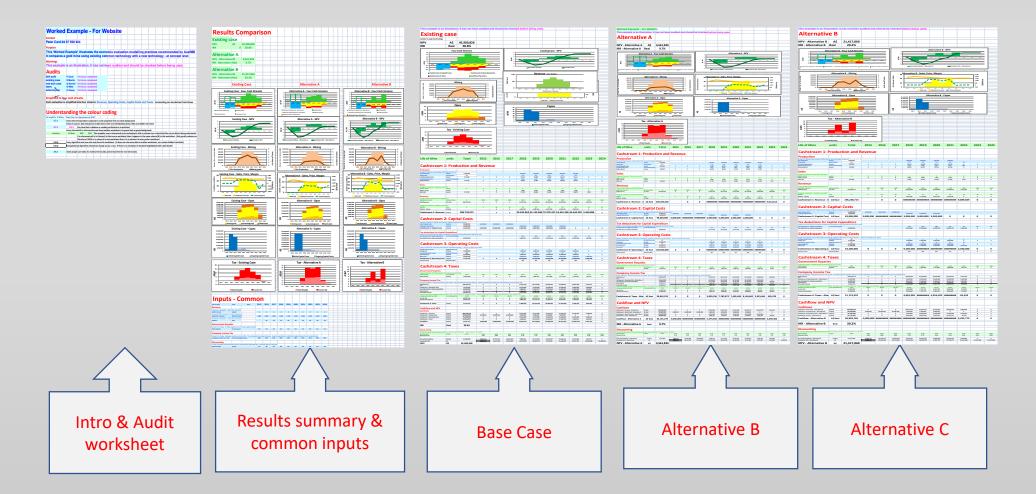
iii. One long, detailed business model

Usually for major projects, there will be a number of alternative ways of 'configuring' the project. The simple business model now can easily be converted into multiple worksheets that compare these different configurations.

Or the social enterprise may need to assess the 'base case' under a range of favorable and unfavorable scenarios.

ii. comparing alternatives

Frequently the social enterprise will think of various ways of completing a project and will use a "Pre-Feasibility Study" to select the best configuration. The layout of the business model in Excel might look like: -



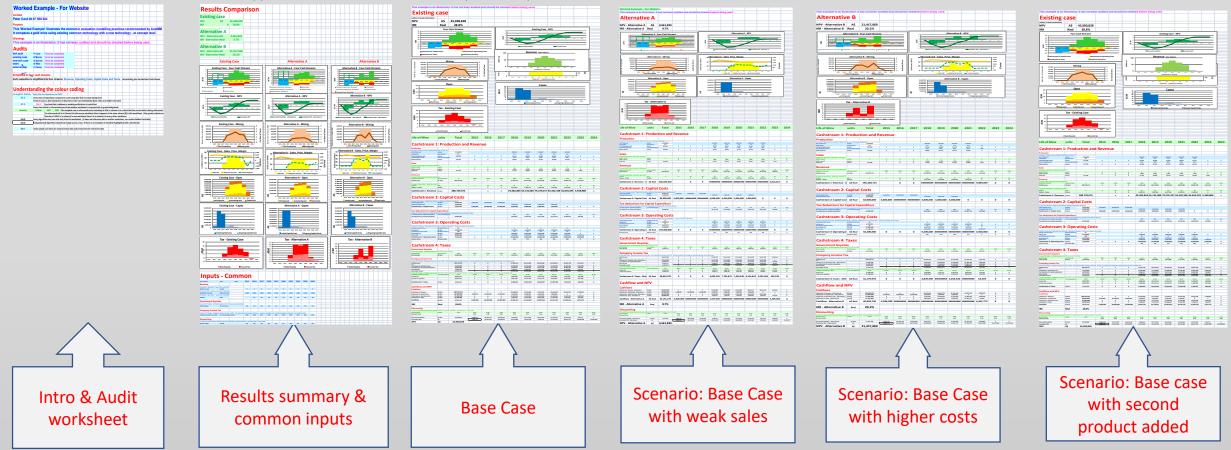
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Alternatively, the social enterprise will have a 'base case' and will want to fully understand what happens under various scenarios of that base case.

If sales and prices are weak how will the business look?

If costs are higher than our experts have estimated how will the project fare?

What happens if we can add a second more profitable product to our sales?



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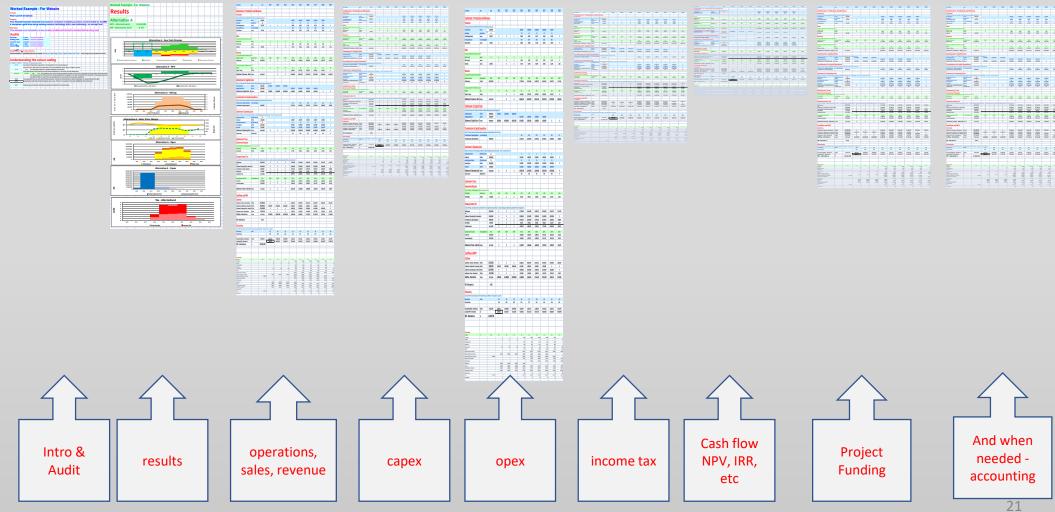
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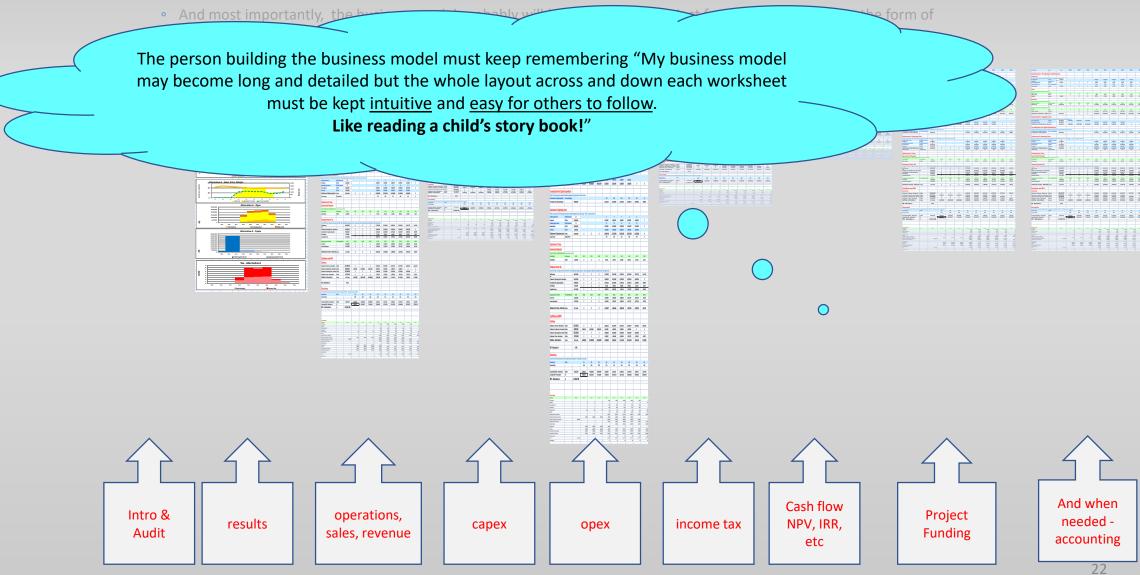
Once the best configuration for the project is selected in "PreFeasibility" then the project usually goes through to "Final Feasibility" where it is modelled in detail.

• And most importantly, this business model is likely to be used to raise project funding from backers in the form of donations, loans and equity.



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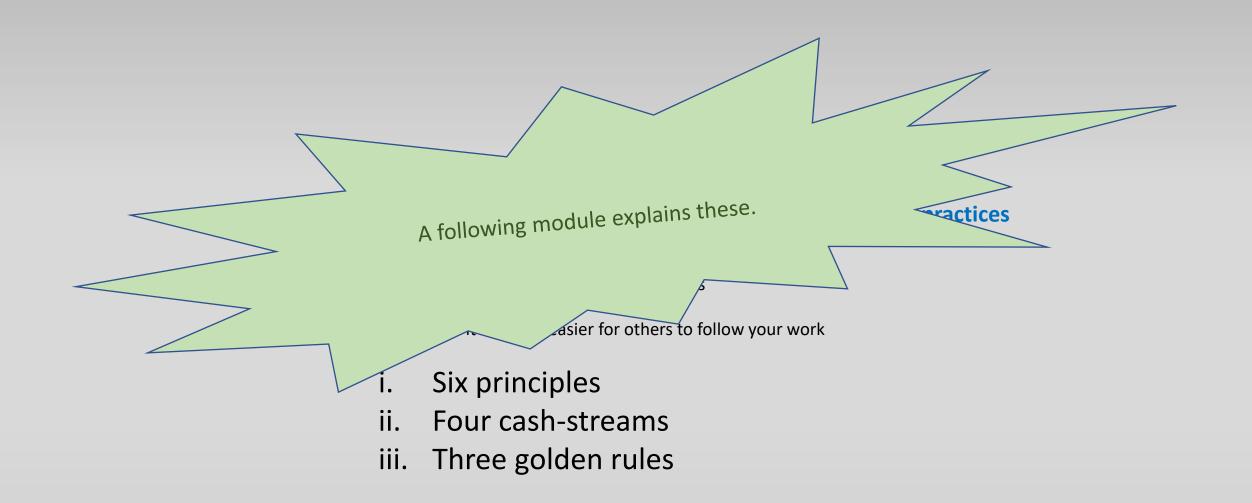
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Project Funding	Getting investors, donors and lenders to provide cash to fund the project
Accounting	An internationally regulated way of assessing or forecasting the performance of the project over a specified period – past or future - given its recent results, past inputs and future liabilities. (Uses non-cash concepts so may be difficult for some non-accounting people to quickly understand.)
Тах	Extracting money from the project as entirely defined by government legislation - and like accounting uses non-cash concepts.
Real terms	Before applying inflation – example \$2.50 today and still \$2.50 in 5 years (Usually employed in business case modelling.)
Nominal terms or Dollars of the Day	After applying inflation – example \$2.50 today becomes \$3.97 in 5 years (Used in accounting, tax and funding.)
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