

3.7 Cash flow

Terminology exercise

Check that you understand the terminology used in this subtopic by dragging the correct word into each space.

While a business is mainly concerned about maximising profits, it also needs to look at the payments received and payments made. Together these are referred to as the

A cash flow is a prediction of future inflows and outflows and is a useful planning tool for a business. It involves using the cash flow to calculate an opening and a

balance in order to

arrive at a cash

flow.

To remain solvent, a business should try to ensure that are not greater than in any given month.

If a business is experiencing a cash flow shortfall, it can use various strategies to increase the cash inflow or to lower the cash outflow. For example, a social enterprise may try to increase cash inflow by or by applying for a government

. And it may try to reduce cash outflow by cutting

expenses

cash inflows (net)

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