

7 Automations Every Small Business Needs (But Probably Doesn't Have)

Most Small Businesses Waste 20-30 Hours/Week On Repetitive Tasks

That's £40-60K/Year In Labour Costs

Here Are The 7 Workflows That Could Change That...

1. Lead Capture CRM

What It Does:

- Automatically Captures Leads From All Channels
- Adds To CRM With Proper Tagging
- Triggers Personalised Follow-Up Sequence

Time Saved: 8 Hours/Week

Annual ROI: £15,000

Tools: N8N + Google Sheets + Email

2. Meeting Booking Automation

What It Does:

- Qualifies leads with AI-powered questions
- Sends calendar link to qualified prospects
- Automatically books meetings based on availability
- Sends reminders to both parties
- Updates CRM with meeting status

Time Saved: 5 Hours/Week

Annual ROI: £10,000

Tools: N8N + Calendly + Email + CRM

3. Invoice & Payment Follow-Up

What It Does:

- Monitors unpaid invoices automatically
- Sends friendly reminder emails at set intervals
- Escalates to phone call reminders if needed
- Notifies accounting team of overdue accounts
- Updates payment status in real-time

Time Saved: 4 Hours/Week

Annual ROI: £8,000 + faster payments

Tools: N8N + Stripe + Email + Slack

4. Customer Onboarding

What It Does:

- Sends welcome sequence automatically
- Delivers relevant documents and resources
- Schedules check-in calls
- Assigns internal tasks to your team
- Tracks onboarding completion status

Time Saved: 6 Hours/Week

Annual ROI: £12,000

Tools: N8N + Email + Google Drive + Calendly

5. Social Media Content Distribution

What It Does:

- Repurposes one piece of content across platforms
- Auto-posts to LinkedIn X and Facebook
- Creates different formats for each platform
- Schedules optimal posting times
- Tracks engagement and notifies you of comments

Time Saved: 5 Hours/Week

Annual ROI: £10,000

Tools: N8N + Social API's + AI for repurposing

Data Sync Between Tools

What It Does:

- Keeps all your tools in sync automatically
- Updates customer data across all platforms
- Prevents duplicate entries
- Maintains data consistency
- Eliminates manual data entry

Time Saved: 3 Hours/Week

Annual ROI: £6,000

Tools: N8N +Your Existing Software Stack

7. Team Notification & Task Assignment

What It Does:

- Routes enquiries to the right team member
- Auto-assigns tasks based on workload
- Sends Slack/email notifications
- Tracks task completion
- Escalates if tasks are overdue

Time Saved: 4 Hours/Week

Annual ROI: £8,000

Tools: N8N + Slack + Project Management Tools

Time Saved: 35hours/Week
Annual Savings: £69,000

ROI: 10x in year one

Every week without these
automation costs you £1300