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I SAVED £££s ONLINE

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After setting up my business, Annabelle's Balloons, for events and children's parties, I was looking for some help delivering leaflets.

I found Free Index (www.freeindex.com) an online directory you can search to find tradespeople in your area. It's got everything from plumbers and accountants to wedding planners. What's more, it's free to use.

I just filled out one form to get up to five quotes from local businesses so that I could compare the best price and service. The first quote to deliver leaflets came in at £300. But after reviewing them all, I found someone offering to do it for just £50. I saved £250 by shopping around.

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