

Economic Development & Regeneration
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	April - June 2018	July - September 2018	October - December 2018	January - March 2019
Main Achievements	The Open for Business Team has commissioned Nautilus Associates to develop the Phase 1 feasibility study for a Technology Hub for Mid Suffolk area. Planning permission for the Gateway14	Cranswick Foods development at Eye - crucially supported by Open for Business Team, now under construction. £50m+ investment and c.400 jobs and road infrastructure improvements c.£3.5m	Milestone progress: Received completed Phase 1 report for Tech Hub. Reached agreement with Suffolk Libraries and other locations for Visitor Information Point Network (8 locations by March 2019). Vision for Prosperity progressed including engagement events and set up of officer delivery group. Supported Central Suffolk Chamber of Commerce to launch March 2019. Finalised end of service Tourist Information Centre including staffing arrangements.	Progressed projects to key milestones including Needham Lake, MEAL business plan, John Peel Centre development, Mix skills project and 4 town commission consultant now appointed. Tourism Sector Development work and Visioning programme has progressed well to point of Joint Officer Delivery Group and new Stowmarket Steering Group. Womens Tour (cycle) support through team and licensing/Safety Advisory Group. Future High Streets Fund has been submitted with outcome expected by Summer 2019. Central Suffolk Chamber development launch has taken place, with workplan now rolling out. Stowmarket Enterprise Zone slower progress but linked to asset and investment progress.
Impact on communities / the way we work	Protect key employment site and jobs. Collaborative working including seeking investment opportunities.	Supporting SME businesses and jobs. Local leadership demonstrated and partnering negotiations.	Supporting local businesses and for improved local services/infrastructure. Collaborative working - shared delivery plan and programme development. Local leadership in place-making. Cost savings with discontinuation of TIC.	Progressing the visioning engagement outcomes and linking those projects based on community aspirations/feedback. Supporting local businesses and for improved local services/infrastructure. Collaborative working - shared delivery plan and programme development. Local leadership in place-making. Supporting the Council's investments

Key for trend graph:

- 2015/16
- 2016/17
- 2017/18
- 2018/19
- _____ target

Key:

- n/a not applicable
- n/av not available

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Performance measure	Period	Data	Target	Council	Trend	Comments										
OFB01 No: Business Enquiries/Business Assisted directly through the OfB Team/Project Group Cabinet Member: Gerard Brewster Data Owner: Lee Carvell	2018/19		tbc	MSDC	<table border="1" style="display: none;"> <caption>Quarterly Data for 2018/19</caption> <thead> <tr> <th>Quarter</th> <th>Data</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Qtr.1</td> <td>46</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Qtr.2</td> <td>60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Qtr.3</td> <td>85</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Qtr.4</td> <td>67</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Quarter	Data	Qtr.1	46	Qtr.2	60	Qtr.3	85	Qtr.4	67	This data on relates to individual enquiries and so does not cover group engagement, project work, business forums et. Some enquiries were direct into the team, some were referred by partners. They include a variety of different sectors and scales and matters included grant funding, business rate relief enquiries, business support, sites/relocation and growth/export and other including problem/barrier solving requests. This is the first data collection for this measure and provides an initial baseline.
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