Swindon & Wiltshire

Our modern Industrial Strategy sets out our long-term plan to boost productivity by backing business to create high quality, well-paid jobs throughout the United Kingdom with investment in skills, industries and infrastructure.

In Swindon and Wiltshire a partnership of business and civic leaders – alongside other local partners – is working with the government to build on existing strengths, help business to flourish, and grow skills and opportunities for workers across the area.

Industrial Strategy highlights include:

£4m towards developing a £40m new science and technology business park, next to the Defence Science & Technology Laboratory facility and the Public Health England (PHE) in Salisbury.

£5m to accelerate housebuilding by providing the vital infrastructure to access new and existing sites.

E1.4m for road junction improvements to enable the expansion of the Dyson Technology Park and interdependent developments, creating up to 3,000 jobs.

 359,900 people in employment, an increase of 21,700 since 2010. 17,300 workers directly benefiting from the National Living and Minimum Wages. 8,280 apprenticeships starts last year. Population: 716,400 Businesses: 38,080

Case study: Mansion House, Corsham

The Mansion House in Corsham is creating an incubation space for businesses working within the digital or innovation sectors, including teaching space and facilities for community engagement, collaboration and innovation. Boosted by a £2.5m investment, Corsham is home to a growing cluster of digital industries with a focus on secure communications and data storage.

For more examples go to bit.ly/IS-map

Swindon and Wiltshire Local Enterprise Partnership is now working with the government to develop its Local Industrial Strategy.

We have committed more than £45bn to Industrial Strategy programmes supporting research, local infrastructure, training and business growth throughout the United Kingdom. This money is already starting to be spent on the ground.

