Hertfordshire

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 Hertfordshire 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:

••• £2.5m to support innovation through the Hertfordshire Science Partnership by brokering a unique partnership between businesses and the University of Hertfordshire helping to bring businesses close to cutting-edge research, and technologies from development to market.

6f Hatfield train station.

£34m to support a package of major projects to help regenerate Stevenage town centre including new housing, retail, cafes and restaurants, along with a combined public sector hub; housing a new library, health facilities and local government offices.



605,200 people in employment, an increase of 54,300 since 2010. 27,900 workers directly benefiting from the National Living and Minimum Wages. 6,800 apprenticeships starts last year.



Population: 1,116,300 **Businesses:** 58,305

Case study: Hertfordshire IQ

In a move to become the UK's leading place for green businesses, Hertfordshire's Enterprise Zone, Hertfordshire Innovation Quarter, will encourage environmental technology, agri-tech and modern construction companies to take advantage of its market access and location 30 minutes from London. Based in Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire IQ will provide sustainable, flexible workspaces, tax breaks and collaboration opportunities with industry experts to create a UK hub of green companies.

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

Hertfordshire 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.