



Project: Dudley Advance Innovation Centre

Status: Complete (2015)

Area: Castle and Priory, Dudley

Black Country *LEP*





An Overview

The project comprising the provision of Enterprise and Innovation Centre space forms an integral part of the Dudley Advance project providing additionality through the ability of the Centre to work closely with local employers, ensuring the ability for learners to interact with start-up, innovation and prototyping businesses.

Local employers are provided the opportunity to fully develop existing products and test new products before they go to the market whilst providing opportunity for apprentices to work within a commercial environment.

Key Stats

- Total Investment Value: £5.9million
- Grant: £798k
- Floorspace constructed to very good or excellent BREEAM standards
- 100 Apprenticeships

The Outcomes

Through Growing Places Funding, this project has:

- Provided an environment of support particularly for SME's helping them foster growth and contribute to the region's regeneration, including partnership with Aston University.
- Delivered an Enterprise and Innovation Centre consisting of 130sqm within Dudley Town Centre.
- Supported facilities, design and development areas with computer design and testing facilities as well as rapid prototyping and 3D modelling machines.