



DORSET LOCAL INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY – CALL FOR EVIDENCE

Information Sheet

Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), the business - led private and public sector partnership that aims to promote local economic growth and prosperity across the region – is calling for evidence to inform the development of its Local Industrial Strategy.

Dorset's Local Industrial Strategy will help to inform local choices, prioritise local action and, where appropriate, help to inform decisions at a national level. It will guide local investment and devolved funding which is granted to Local Enterprise Partnerships by central government and other national schemes.

Who should respond to this call?

Our Call for Evidence is open to submissions from all local economic development stakeholders in the public, private and voluntary sectors with an interest in the Local Industrial Strategy. We would particularly welcome submissions from Dorset businesses with specialist industry knowledge.

What is the deadline for responding to the Call for Evidence?

There is no specific deadline.

How to submit evidence

Evidence, along with attachments, should be submitted via email to mhanulova@bournemouth.ac.uk

Please note that the maximum file size we are able to receive via email is 10MB. For anything above this size please use an appropriate file transfer service (i.e. WeTransfer - <https://wetransfer.com/>)

What type of information is appropriate for submission?

The information we are seeking may consist of, but is not limited to, the following types:

- Data sets
- Research papers
- Surveys
- Reviews
- Strategies

We are particularly looking for information that:

- Is not already in the public domain
- Shows the importance, innovation and future prospects of particular sectors e.g. not just evidence on marine as a whole but evidence on particular parts

of marine that are likely to bring new technological or skills breakthroughs or become a focus of future growth

- Demonstrates regional strengths in relation to the Grant Challenges – Artificial Intelligence/data, ageing, future mobility, clean growth
- Highlights Dorset's competitive advantage or could get a competitive advantage by 2030.
- Highlights the strengths and opportunities that are unique to our economy
- Demonstrates meeting skills needs in a diverse regional economy

Questions for consideration

To help you with selecting the most appropriate evidence, you may wish to consider how the information will answer the following questions:

1. What are the main barriers to future economic growth and productivity in Dorset?
2. What skills issues are impacting negatively on economic growth and productivity in Dorset?
3. What infrastructure improvements are needed to support future economic growth and productivity in Dorset?
4. What support is needed to help businesses to grow, innovate, become more productive and access new markets?
5. What specific economic challenges are faced by the urban and rural areas of Dorset?
6. Which industrial sectors will drive future economic growth and productivity in Dorset?
7. What can be done to ensure that all Dorset residents benefit from future economic growth?
8. What can Dorset contribute to the four Industrial Strategy Grand Challenges (Artificial Intelligence and data, ageing society, clean growth, and the future of mobility)?
9. What opportunities are there for collaboration within the South West, South East and wider UK to improve economic growth and productivity?

Required details when submitting evidence

When submitting your evidence please include the following information in the body of your email:

Name:

Company:

Email:

Telephone:

Would you be interested in receiving updates from Dorset LEP? Yes / No (please delete as appropriate)

Data protection

The information you provide will be kept in accordance with terms of current Data Protection legislation and will only be used to inform our Local Industrial Strategy.

The submission of evidence does not mean that the publication will be automatically used or quoted in the text of the Industrial Strategy.

We require contact details as we may need to contact you for further information relating to your submission.

Your details will not be passed on to any other individual, organisation or group. Please refer to our [Privacy Policy](#) for further information on how we manage data.

Further information and contact

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