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RAG Status Key	Project is completed	Project is on track	Project has minor issues and/or delays	Project has significant issues and/or delays
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People

Funding stream	Strategic Status				Operations				
	Project title and lead officer	Outcome	Contribution to Growth Targets	Lead partner and role	Core Activity Outputs / Targets	2016-17 Targets Milestones	Achievements to March 2017	Comments	RAG status
CITY DEAL	Skills Programme 150 more employers engaged with traineeships SARAH CULLIMORE	Up-skill identified cohorts	Tackling pockets of unemployment	Oxfordshire Skills Board Economy and Skills team	Develop a network of apprenticeship ambassadors to promote at events etc. Negotiate Traineeships targets in employment and skills plan Include Traineeships info on OA website 150 unemployed individuals engaged with traineeships	N/A	There are 23 current ambassadors have who have between them supported 49 events since April 16 as well as being featured on local radio, Oxford TV and in local press. Traineeship target included in Westgate ESP. Traineeship info is on the OA website. In excess of 220 unemployed individuals are engaged with traineeships.	The SFA is not able to provide employers data and information therefore the an alternative target has been measured of unemployed individuals engaging with traineeships.	complete

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<p>CITY DEAL</p>	<p>Apprenticeship Programme</p> <p>525 apprenticeships for young people (16-23)</p> <p>SARAH CULLIMORE</p>	<p>Drive better employability skills in young people</p>	<p>Increase the number of apprenticeships</p>	<p>Economy and Skills team.</p> <p>Oxfordshire Skills Board</p>	<p>Delivery of skills element of the City Deal including: Supporting making sense of apprenticeships for employers.</p> <p>Delivering 'apprenticeship' events aimed at young people and parents.</p> <p>Engagement with secondary schools to increase awareness of apprenticeships.</p> <p>Co-ordinating National Apprenticeship week activity 3-7 March 2014</p> <p>Additional 525 apprenticeship starts aged 16-24</p>	<p>Additional 525 Apprenticeship starts aged 16-24 over the lifetime of the CD project (April 2014-March 2017)</p> <p>Delivery against the City deal action plan agreed with the SFA including:</p> <p>Continue to engage with secondary schools to increase awareness of Apprenticeships.</p> <p>Delivering Apprenticeship events aimed at young people, parents and employers.</p> <p>Continuation of an Apprenticeship Ambassador scheme.</p>	<p>3 making sense events have been delivered during 15/16 financial year.</p> <p>City Deal programme has now come to an end and all funding has been drawn down with all actions agreed delivered.</p> <p>OA has supported or run 64 school events since April 16 including careers events, talks in assemblies and workshops.</p> <p>The ambassador scheme will continue with a new cohort planned for May.</p>	<p>Latest figures available are up until the end of January 2017 and are rounded to the nearest 10. There were 1,560 16-24 year old Apprenticeship starts during the first 2 quarters of the 2016/17 academic year (August 2016 – January 2017), compared with 1,580 during the same period the previous year (a decrease of 1.2%). However, this compares favourably when compared with a decrease for the SE of 3.8% and a decrease in England of 3.1% during the same time period.</p> <p>The decrease is likely due to the fact that larger employers started paying the Apprenticeship levy in April and so some have intentionally delayed recruiting apprentices so that they can use utilise their levy.</p> <p>Amber rating is because although Oxfordshire is doing better compared with the SE and national figures, the 525 city deal target will not be achieved (data is time lagged and so we won't have data for the final 2 months of the financial year until August).</p>	<p>minor issues and/or delays</p>
<p>CITY DEAL</p>	<p>Apprenticeship Programme</p> <p>300 apprenticeship grants for employers (AGE) grants targeted at SME in the growth sector</p> <p>SARAH CULLIMORE</p>	<p>Drive better employability skills in young people</p>	<p>Increase the number of apprenticeships</p>	<p>Oxfordshire Skills Board</p> <p>Economy and Skills team</p>	<p>Delivery of City Deal skills action plan.</p> <p>300 AGE grants targeted at SME in the growth sector</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Eligibility rules for the AGE changed in January 2015. Info has been put onto the OA website.</p>	<p>670 AGE grants were awarded to Oxfordshire employers during 2014/15 academic year (Aug 2014 to July 2015)</p> <p>City Deal target has been met.</p>	<p>complete</p>

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CITY DEAL	<p>Apprenticeship Programme</p> <p>1850 more employers with a raised awareness of apprenticeships</p> <p>SARAH CULLIMORE</p>	Drive better employability skills in young people	Increase the number of apprenticeships	<p>Oxfordshire Skills Board</p> <p>Economy and Skills team</p>	<p>A range of activities aimed at promoting the benefits of apprenticeships to employers attending network events, follow up leads from website hits etc.</p> <p>1850 more employers with a raised awareness of apprenticeships</p>	<p>1,850 more employers with an increased awareness of apprenticeships over the lifetime of the CD project (April 2014-March 2017)</p> <p>Delivery of events aimed at employers.</p> <p>Attendance at employer networking events to promote apprenticeships.</p> <p>Follow up leads from employers.</p>	<p>A total of 107 networking and employer events have been attended to promote apprenticeships over the 3 years of the project, including the delivery of 8 'making sense of Apprenticeships' events.</p> <p>1,894 interactions with employers have been recorded since the project began.</p>	City Deal target has been met.	complete
GROWTH DEAL	<p>Oxford Centre for technology and innovation</p> <p>PHIL WADDUP</p>	Increased levels of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) in line with Skills Strategy aspirations	'Innovative People' – higher level skills	City of Oxford College – Activate Learning	<p>Construction of new STEM centre</p> <p>Construction complete and operational by January 2017</p>	Open STEM Centre by 12/16.	<p>Project completed to time and Budget – STEM centre is now operational (from 01/09/16)</p> <p>There has been significant PR activity and site visits held with employers, students and other visitors to stimulate interest. Official Opening Ceremony held 13/1/17 was well received.</p>	Building Project Completed, occupied and operational	on track
GROWTH DEAL	<p>Advanced Engineering and technical skills centre</p> <p>MARK LAY</p>	Increased levels of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) in line with Skills Strategy aspirations	'Innovative People' – higher level skills	Abingdon & Witney College	<p>Construction of new STEM centre</p> <p>Construction complete and operational by Jan 2018</p>	<p>Demolition of existing building October 2016</p> <p>Appointment of main contractors January 2017</p> <p>Building work started February 2017</p>	<p>Existing building demolished</p> <p>Building Contractor (Beard Construction) appointed January 2017</p> <p>Beard Construction started work onsite w/c 13/2/17</p> <p>Building foundations and steel frame are now complete end March 2017</p>	The project is still on track.	on track
GROWTH DEAL 2	<p>Activate Care Suite</p> <p>PHIL WADDUP</p>	Increased ability to meet health and social care training and skills demand	Innovative People' – Health and Care related skills delivery	City of Oxford College – Activate Learning	<p>Construction of new Care Centre</p> <p>Construction complete and operational by January 2017</p>	Open Activate Care suite by 09/16	<p>Project completed to time and Budget – Care Suite is now operational (from 01/09/16). Official Opening Ceremony held 02/12/16 was well received.</p>	Building Project Completed, occupied and operational	on track

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Place

Funding stream (& SEP theme)	Strategic Status				Operations				
	Project and lead officer	Outcome	Contribution to Growth Targets	Lead partner and role	Core Activity Outputs / Targets	2016-17 Targets Milestones	Achievements to March 2017	Comments	RAG status
CITY DEAL	SHMA completed GROWTH BOARD PROGRAMME MANAGER	A county wide Strategic Housing Market assessment is completed and approved by the district planning authorities	Commit to deliver the necessary sites to meet the housing needs identified in the SHMA	Growth Board	Development and approval of a county wide SHMA according to Government guidance Document completed by April 2014	Complete SHMA Strategic Work Programme by Dec 2016	SHMA has been completed	The figures for housing need generated by the SHMA underpin the Local Plans that are being taken forward, either as new plans or reviews in all 5 district councils. All councils agree that oxford cannot accommodate all its unmet need so in addition there has been a Post SHMA Strategic Work Programme that has examined an unmet need figure for Oxford, agreed for the purpose of the Programme and decided how to apportion the figure amongst the other districts. This Programme is now complete and a proposed apportionment has been agreed by 5 of the 6 councils. These apportionments will now be taken forward for further examination in Local Plans	complete

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CITY DEAL	<p>Accelerate the delivery of 7500 homes across the county</p> <p>GROWTH BOARD PROGRAMME MANAGER</p>	7500 homes agreed in the existing Local plans have delivery accelerated tbc by 2018	Commit to deliver the housing necessary to underpin the SEP	Growth Board	<p>Accelerate the delivery of agreed housing sites across the county</p> <p>7500 additional homes by 2018</p>	Accelerated housing delivery according to schedule	The Growth Board has committed to reviewing all agreed sites and profile delivery in the light of the final agreed City Deal. In addition officers in districts will review any other sites that have come forward to build a revised profile.	<p>No change since last reported.</p> <p>Refreshed projections show 1453 above profile</p> <p>Partners have not been able to progress the refresh of the trajectory due to work pressures. It is hoped that this can be completed for reporting later this year</p>	on track
CITY DEAL	<p>Land holding uploaded onto e-pims</p> <p>GROWTH BOARD PROGRAMME MANAGER</p>	All land holding in council ownership declared	Commit to deliver the necessary sites to meet the housing needs identified in the SHMA	Growth Board	<p>Working with the Government Property Unit and to list their asset on e-PIMS</p> <p>All public held land uploaded onto database</p>	N/A	Completed	Completed	complete
CITY DEAL	<p>Sharing expertise and accumulated experience to support project/programme delivery across the county in a cost-effective and lean way.</p> <p>GROWTH BOARD PROGRAMME MANAGER</p>	Simplified and robust county wide planning procedures that are easier for users to understand	Develop a simplified planning package	Growth Board	More effective joint working	N/A	Completed	Completed- The growth board EOG discussed this in December 2014 and formed a view that the development of the Post SHMA Strategic Work Programme with a project team and Board was a good example of how we were developing this culture of joint working in Oxfordshire. It is not intended to any further work on this project	complete

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GROWTH DEAL	<p>Flood Risk management upstream (Northway and Marston Flood Alleviation Scheme)</p> <p>HELEN VAUGHAN-EVANS</p>	<p>To reduce the risk and impact caused by excessive flooding for 108 households, 2 commercial premises and transport connections in Northway and Marston, North East Oxford.</p>		<p>Oxford City Council</p>	<p>Activities: Re-profile Northway Community Field and install embankments to create a dual purpose sport/recreation area and temporary flood storage area.</p> <p>Re-profile an area on Court Place Farm Recreation Ground adjacent to Court Place Farm Nature Reserve to create a new wetland habitat.</p> <p>Re-profile an area on Court Place Farm Recreation Ground parallel to Peasmoor Brook to create a new nature park.</p> <p>Both areas at Court Place Farm Recreation Ground will be used to store flash flood water during torrential rainfall.</p> <p>Construct new flow control structures to control water into and out of the two areas created. Including localised road and pavement level changes to direct flows away from public highways into the storage area.</p> <p>Targets 0.3 ha of new habitat created by June 2017</p> <p>Flood protection to 110 properties by June 2017</p>	<p>Detailed design completed by end of July 2016.</p> <p>Planning permission granted by end of September 2016.</p> <p>Principle Contractor appointed.</p> <p>Construction phase initiated by end of October 2016.</p> <p>Phase 1 construction substantially completed.</p>	<p>Planning approval achieved for Phase 1 and Phase 2.</p> <p>Construction Principal Contractor appointed- Oxford Direct Services.</p> <p>All consents and permissions secured.</p> <p>Construction commenced 31st October 2016.</p> <p>Earthworks phase of construction started on 1st February.</p> <p>Earthworks phase at 1 of 3 sites complete at 31st March.</p>	<p>Construction phase progressing well and on track to be complete by end of June.</p> <p>Movement from earthworks phase onto landscaping phase in April/May 2017.</p>	on track
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GROWTH DEAL	<p>Oxford Flood Alleviation Scheme</p> <p>JON MANSBRIDGE</p>	<p>1) Reduce flood damages to at least 1000 homes and businesses currently at risk in Oxford</p> <p>2) Reduce flood risks to infrastructure and utilities in Oxford</p> <p>3) Safeguard Oxford's reputation as a thriving centre of commerce that is open for business</p> <p>4) Create and maintain new recreational amenities, wildlife habitat and naturalised watercourses accessible from the centre of Oxford.</p>	<p>Environment Agency</p> <p>Responsible for managing the appraisal and construction of the scheme ensuring it has passed all the necessary assurance and approval milestones.</p>	<p>Develop the Outline Business Case for approval by EA, Defra and HM Treasury</p> <p>Detailed appraisal work including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public consultation - Short-listing options - Consultation on short-list completed Jan 2016 - Survey and Site investigation work – September 2015 - Flood modelling and assessment of 'do nothing' and 'do minimum scenarios' - Economic appraisal of preferred option - Funding negotiations with partners <p>Further refine the business case for approval by EA, Defra and HM Treasury</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Outline Business Case signed off by Sept 17 - Full Business Case signed off by Oct 18 - Financing plan in place to outline how whole life costs of the project will be funded - Legal agreements in place by August 2017 - Construction Started Sep 2018 - Construction finished Sep 2022 <p>Flood risk areas reviewed and Flood Map amended</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Revised flood map published 2023 	<p>Oxford Flood Alleviation Scheme route announced June 2016</p> <p>Award Detailed Design Tender October 2016</p> <p>Outline business case submission in February 2017.</p> <p>Pre-application Planning submission May 2017</p> <p>Formal CPO Preparation submission March 2018</p> <p>Planning Application submission February 2018</p>	<p>EA Financial scheme of delegation gained.</p> <p>HMT approved the Strategic Outline Case in September 2015.</p> <p>CH2m were appointed in October 2016 for Detailed design stage alongside outline business case approval</p> <p>Further environmental surveys have been completed over the summer. Archaeology at the Old Abingdon road is currently under progress.</p> <p>Land owner and further public consultations regarding the scheme detail design is ongoing.</p> <p>Work by OxLEP, Oxfordshire County and the EA on closing the funding gap currently at £4.4m has been progressing well.</p> <p>The project so far has supported approximately 17 FTE roles within the EA</p> <p>Oxford Flood Alleviation Scheme route announced June 2016</p> <p>Work completed so far has been funded partly by Grant In Aid from central government and contributions from Oxfordshire County Council, Oxford City Council and Thames Regional Flood and coastal Committee.</p> <p>The Scheme submitted our Outline Business Case (OBC) in February 2017.</p>	<p>The Amber Status reflects the ongoing work on the remaining high likelihood contributions to close the current 4.4 million funding gap.</p>	<p>minor issues and/or delays</p>
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<p>GROWTH DEAL</p>	<p>Northern Gateway TBC</p>	<p>The project aims to establish an innovation district building on close links to the universities and businesses in the city. It will become a vibrant and successful mixed use area.</p>	<p>Contribute to the homes and jobs targets for Oxfordshire</p>	<p>TBC</p>	<p>Latest Figures supplied 02/17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 90,000 sqm employment land - 500 new homes - 2,500 sqm local retail space - A hotel - Highway improvements - Cycle ways - Public open spaces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Planning and masterplan work By Mar 17 - Legal agreement work 	<p>Pre-Application meeting masterplan summary submitted Feb 17</p>		<p>on track</p>
<p>GROWTH DEAL</p>	<p>Oxpens FIONA PIERCY</p>	<p>Regeneration of the Oxpens area of the East end of Oxford to deliver a new sustainable community that supports the economy of Oxford</p>	<p>Contribute to the homes and jobs targets for Oxfordshire</p>	<p>Oxford City Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Investor - Master Planner - Development provider - Planning Authority 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 900 houses - 500 student houses - 1,265 jobs - 21,380 square mtrs commercial / employment floorspace - 15 Apprenticeships - A hotel - Local facilities - Public open space 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Create Joint Venture - Refresh the masterplan - Market for development partner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - British Rail Board land purchased - Joint Venture Created - Masterplan refreshed - Market for development partner started 		<p>v</p>

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Enterprise

Funding stream	Strategic Status				Operations				
	Project title and lead officer	Outcome	Contribution to Growth Targets	Lead partner and role	Core Activity Outputs / Targets	2016-17 Targets Milestones	Achievements to March 2017	Comments	RAG status
CITY DEAL	Innovation Support for Business (ISfB) Simpler business support Investing in innovative businesses SARAH LONGMAN	Implement an Innovation Support Program which will strengthen the innovation network and provide direct support to innovation based growth		LEP ISfB project team	Simpler business support LEP/OBS website Network Navigators: 9 part time people expert in a particular part of the innovation community, linking up together to welcome and guide/refer anyone seeking any form of business support Investing in innovative business Innovation investment vouchers Funding (proof of concept, growth, social enterprise) Business activation support	Targets remaining 214 jobs created by January 2017 22 jobs safeguarded by January 2017 Targets which have already been achieved ahead of schedule £4,016,082 private sector match by April 2016 150 businesses assisted by Jan 2017 962 businesses engaged by Jan 2017	As at the end of December 2016 234.5 jobs created against an overall target of 214 8 jobs safeguarded compared to an overall target of 22 £9,770,079 private sector match compared to the overall target of £4,016,082 297 businesses assisted compared to the overall target of 150 6881 businesses engaged compared to the overall target of 962	The ISfB programme closed at the end of June 2015 with final claim completed in July 2016 and Accountants report completed in August 2016. The programme has been highly successful and has exceeded most targets.	complete

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CITY DEAL	<p>The UKAEA Culham</p> <p>CATHERINE PRIDHAM</p>	<p>Advanced Manufacturing Hub: focused on remote handling technologies</p>	<p>Invest in an Advanced Manufacturing Hub in remote applications in challenging environments including innovation and the incubation of science and technological developments in that field</p>	<p>UKAEA</p>	<p>Start on site March 2015, completion scheduled for Jan 2016</p>	<p>Construction start 3/15</p> <p>Construction completion 1/16</p> <p>Official opening 5/16</p> <p>Building usage 60 staff (>75% occupation)</p> <p>Develop concepts for Phase 2 building to provide enhanced facility for external user communities</p>	<p>Work commenced on site March 2015.</p> <p>Work completed on site 29th January 2016.</p> <p>2817 sqm commercial floorspace has been constructed</p> <p>40-50 businesses have been engaged</p> <p>The facility was opened by Jo Johnson MP, Minister of State for Universities and Science on 23rd May 2016.</p>	<p>complete</p>
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CITY DEAL	The Harwell Innovation HUB TIM BESTWICK	Hub: focused on open innovation	Invest in an ambitious network of new innovation and incubation centres which will nurture small businesses.	STFC	<p>Start on site November 2016, practical completion October 2017</p> <p>Project programme dates revised and agreed following agreement with BIS.</p>	<p>Road and car park constructed and completed on site in April 2016.</p> <p>First stage tender for the building completed and contractor selected.</p> <p>Exploratory groundworks undertaken in June and July 2016.</p> <p>Planning consent for revised elevations granted in July 2016.</p> <p>Planning applications to revise the detail of the restaurant and gym building and for discharge of pre-commencement conditions submitted in August 2016.</p> <p>Target for mobilising and enabling works to commence on site in September 2016 followed by main contract works.</p> <p>Building contract to be let in September/October 2016.</p> <p>Target for Practical Completion in October 2017.</p>	<p>Planning permission received</p> <p>Detailed design began in January 2016</p> <p>Road related infrastructure spending has already started.</p> <p>Work on site has started with the main building contractor.</p> <p>Construction was mobilized in December 2016.</p> <p>Site enabling and infrastructure works are completed.</p> <p>Steelwork is up.</p> <p>On track for practical completion in October 2017</p>	The city deal required building to commence in Dec 2014. However master planning led to re-profiling. A revised program and timetable has been agreed with BIS	on track
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<p>CITY DEAL</p>	<p>The Oxford Bio-Escalator</p> <p>PHIL CLARE</p>	<p>Hub focused on the life sciences sector;</p>	<p>Invest in an ambitious network of new innovation and incubation centres which will nurture small businesses:</p>	<p>University of Oxford</p>	<p>The vision for the Oxford BioEscalator is</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To pioneer a new model for bioscience business growth that will reduce the risk associated with early stage firms, stimulate new funding and management mechanisms, and create resilient, sustainable companies. - To realise the potential of the world class clinical and research expertise and assets in Oxford and the surrounding region, developing a leading international centre for the commercial exploitation of bioscience and medical research and innovation <p>Project programme dates revised and agreed</p>	<p>Complete redesign to accommodate prospective corporate partner by Oct 2016.</p> <p>Agree terms with corporate partner by Dec 2016.</p> <p>Continued building works.</p>	<p>Redesign has been completed and approval granted for construction to restart on the redesigned building. Building work has restarted on site and above ground construction has begun, with the arrival of the first crane. A deal has been signed with Novo Nordisk who will occupy the top two floors of the building, bringing the possibility of collaboration with large Pharma to the options for BioEscalator companies. Construction is due to complete in mid-2018. Building work is out of the ground and on target for completion date.</p>	<p>on track</p>
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CITY DEAL	<p>The Begbroke Innovation Accelerator</p> <p>PHIL CLARE</p>	<p>Hub focused on advanced engineering sectors</p>	<p>Invest in an ambitious network of new innovation and incubation centres which will nurture small businesses:</p>	<p>University of Oxford</p>	<p>The Oxford University Begbroke Science Park (BSP) has pioneered the successful integration of academic and business communities to foster knowledge and technology transfer, economic growth, and academic advancement. The Accelerator project builds on this in the advanced engineering sectors of automotive, nuclear materials, advanced materials, robotics, nano-medicine, pharmaceuticals, motorsport and supercomputing. Through the co-location of business and technology it will enhance the successful transition of ideas across the valley of death into the market place and give support for companies with training, networking and mentoring activities.</p> <p>Project programme dates revised and agreed</p>	<p>Work Complete in July 2016.</p> <p>Building handed over Aug 2016.</p> <p>Building substantially occupied Oct 2016.</p> <p>Formal opening by Mar 2017.</p>	<p>The first phase of the Begbroke Innovation Accelerator project is now complete and takes the form of an extension to the existing Centre for Innovation and Enterprise (CIE). The CIE is now more than double its original size. The 2200m2 extension brings the building up to a total of 4000m2.</p> <p>The building is now handed over and the majority of spaces are already let and occupied, with discussions well advanced over the remaining spaces.</p> <p>Formal opening took place on 17th March 2017</p>	<p>on track</p>
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GROWTH DEAL	Growth Hub HEATHER MARTIN	Build on and continue to raise awareness and strengthen the range of support available from Oxfordshire Business Support (Oxfordshire's Growth Hub)	Support job creation	LEP OBS project team	<p>To simplify, raise awareness and encourage greater engagement and interaction of the business support landscape via:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - OBS website portal - Telephone and email triage service - Network Navigators: Part time experts who are well connected within specific sectors and tasked with welcoming, networking, creating links and referrals to individuals and organisations looking to locate business support within Oxfordshire <p>Events and Workshops on business related topics.</p> <p>Businesses signposted / referred to national programmes - 200 by Mar 2016</p> <p>Businesses engaged – 2700 by Mar 2016</p> <p>ERDF Targets Start Up 51 Growth 129 (above figures only represents number of businesses receiving a minimum of 12 hours of support – other subsets apply)</p>	<p>BIS Targets Mar 2017</p> <p>Businesses engaged 2700</p> <p>Greater engagement with businesses via Network Navigators and OBS Project Team</p> <p>Launch of ERDF Start Up and Growth Project.</p>	<p>As at the end of Mar 2017</p> <p>Number of businesses engaged 12,981 versus programme target 2700 (via our website, social media, events, helpline and Network Navigators)</p> <p>Number of enquiries triaged and dealt with directly through the Growth Hub was 370 Network Navigators dealt with 441 directly and referred 262 businesses or individuals to other partner organisations.</p> <p>As at the end of Mar 2017:</p> <p>£2m of ERDF funding has now been secured for SME Competitiveness Start Up and Growth. Collaboration agreement and contracts have been signed a launch event has been planned for the 29th June and a 3 month program of workshops is listed on our website.</p> <p>We have successfully recruited 2 workshop delivery partners (First Ascent and Enterprise Nation) to help design and deliver the interactive workshops.</p> <p>Successfully completed and submitted £5.2m ERDF Innovation Support for Business bid to DCLG.</p>	<p>Full Grant Application process is now designed and awaiting final clearance from DCLG ready for launch at the OBS Elevate Start Up and Growth event planned for 29th June 2017 at Sheldonian Theatre – Oxford. The Grants are being operated as a “competitive grant competition” to ensure we receive high quality applications and are able to offer grants across the life of the program.</p> <p>Network Navigators have already successfully completed 41 Intensive IDB type interactions with businesses without a full launch of the program</p> <p>The first 3 months program of workshops have been listed on website, promoted via Network Navigators and social media and are almost already at capacity. We have also successfully obtained 2 generous sponsors for the event launch. (Grant Thornton and Marks & Clerk)</p> <p>Awaiting formal appraisal feedback, informal feedback is positive, contract potential start date June 2017. Program is currently being put together by external resource to ensure that it can be launched once confirmation received from DCLG.</p>	on track
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<p>GROWTH DEAL</p>	<p>Centre for Applied Super conductivity</p> <p>COLIN JOHNSTON</p>	<p>Support the cluster of applied superconductivity industry in Oxfordshire with S&T support and new longer term developments in new materials and deeper understanding of how superconductors behave in real environments</p>	<p>Invest in an ambitious network of new innovation and incubation centres which will nurture small businesses:</p>	<p>University of Oxford</p>	<p>Establish an Industrial advisory board (IAB). Refurbish and equip a materials discovery laboratory and a materials testing laboratory for superconductors Develop a core research portfolio Establish industrial open access to facilities.</p> <p>23 jobs by March 2021</p>	<p>Complete refurbishment of Physics testing laboratory – 1/12/16 Achieved 10/10/16</p> <p>Install and commission remaining capital equipment (PLD and PPMS) – 31/1/17 Commissioned and operational 01/02/17</p> <p>Complete recruitment to remaining posts – 1/12/16 Final PDRA will start in Physics 01/02/17</p> <p>Seek to establish new funded research project in applied superconductivity – 1/10/17. Joint proposal with Cambridge submitted 01/02/17</p>	<p>Industrial advisory board has been established and has met 5 times. 1st scientific meeting held with ca. 40 attendees</p> <p>Staff: Currently 4 postdoctoral researchers directly employed. Three technical support staff and 0.5 administrative staff. One Industrial CASE graduate student and 3 other graduate students. One former graduate has gone into one of the partner industries as a full time employee</p> <p>Refurbishment: Materials lab refurbishment completed; Physics testing lab refurbishment Completed February 2017; Physics SC device lab refurbishment completed March 2016.</p> <p>Lab opening: CfAS was officially opened by Nigel Tipple CEO of OxLEP on 27/02/17</p> <p>Equipment: PLD delivered, installed and commissioned. PPMS delivered, installed and commissioned. MFM delivered, installed and commissioned Testing lab power supplies and probes delivered, installed and commissioned</p> <p>Additional funding for instruments has been secured from the Oxford University John Fell Fund. An industrial CASE D. Phil. Studentship has been funded by a member of the IAB with student in place from October 2015.</p> <p>Total number of research students now in CfAS is seven, including Part II students.</p> <p>4 postdoctoral researcher work in CfAS.</p> <p>CfAS is supported by 6 academic staff and 8 technical and administrative staff.</p>	<p>Newton Fellow will join CfAS for 2017/18</p> <p>EPSRC research proposal submitted on magnet technology for health applications – awaiting award.</p>	<p>on track</p>
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Connectivity

Funding stream	Strategic Status				Operations				
	Project and lead officer	Outcome	Contribution to Growth Targets	Lead partner and role	Core Activity Outputs / Targets	2016-17 Targets Milestones	Achievements to March 2017	Comments	RAG status
CITY DEAL	<p>Access to enterprise zone</p> <p>Hugo Terry</p>	<p>Improve access to enterprise zone to make site more attractive to potential investors</p>	<p>Will lead to improvement in jobs in the knowledge economy by making the site more attractive to investors</p>	<p>Oxfordshire County Council</p>	<p>Harwell Link Road: Provide new link road</p> <p>Hagbourne Hill: works to increase capacity</p> <p>Featherbed Lane: Compulsory Purchase documentation in preparation. Early works undertaken on available land and were completed March 2015.</p> <p>Harwell Campus: Land has been gifted by the affected landowner in acknowledgment of the infrastructure improvement they will receive. The revised signal junction design should avoid delay from local plan outcome and additional land purchase.</p>	<p>Harwell Link Road: Complete construction March 2017.</p> <p>Hagbourne Hill: Construction Complete: 23/8/2016</p> <p>Featherbed Lane: To complete detailed design, purchase all necessary land.</p> <p>Harwell Campus: Secure confirmation from Local Plan. Now redundant, as design has changed.</p>	<p>Harwell Link Road: Started construction</p> <p>Hagbourne Hill: Not applicable.</p> <p>Featherbed Lane: Design substantially completed with OCC cost review in progress. Land negotiations still in progress therefore preparing for CPO.</p> <p>Harwell Campus: Redesigning junction to avoid land requirements.</p>	<p>Harwell Link Rd: none.</p> <p>Hagbourne Hill: none.</p> <p>Featherbed Lane: Current programme for delivery dependent on land purchase, hence amber status.</p> <p>Harwell Campus: This project now has a green status because it has overcome land issues by redesigning the junction to become a signalized junction. This is still subject to modelling.</p>	<p>minor issues and/or delays</p>

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CITY DEAL	Improvements to Northern Gateway Hugo Terry	To relieve congestion and deliver growth to a key growth area	Will lead to improvement in jobs in the knowledge economy by making the site more attractive to investors	Oxfordshire County Council	Cotteslowe and Wolvercote: Increasing capacity at roundabouts on A40. Loop Fm Link Rd: New route connecting A40 and A44 to reduce congestion in Oxford.	Cotteslowe and Wolvercote: Construction Complete: 14 November 2016 Loop Fm Link Rd: Complete Feasibility and Preliminary Design.	Cotteslowe and Wolvercote: Works complete. Loop Fm Link Rd: Preliminary design is complete.	Cotteslowe and Wolvercote: Project spend was under budget. Loop Fm Link Rd: Ongoing coordination with A40 Bus Lane project.	on track
CITY DEAL	Hinksey Hill- Science transit Hugo Terry	First stage of improvements to transport links across the knowledge spine	Will lead to improvement in jobs in the knowledge economy by making the site more attractive to investors	Oxfordshire County Council	Phase 1 complete and working well Phase 2 Hinksey Hill: Detailed feasibility underway and currently on target to meeting May deadline. Design to commence Mar16. Construction completion Winter 2018.	Phase 2, Hinksey Hill: Complete Feasibility and Preliminary design. Detailed Design Complete: 13/6/2017 Start Construction: 8/1/2018 Complete construction: 15/4/19	Phase 1 (Kennington roundabout): Works Complete. Phase 2, Hinksey Hill: Project review undertaken prior to commencement design to ensure scheme delivers desired outcome.	Phase 1 (Kennington roundabout): Achieved. Phase 2 (Hinksey Hill) Slight delay to commencement of prelim design due to incorporation of Abingdon Road Corridor Study to deliver integrated solution.	on track

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<p>GROWTH DEAL</p>	<p>Headington Phase 1 Hugo Terry</p>	<p>Access to Headington is a package of schemes to improve access to major employment, health and education sites in the Headington area.</p>	<p>Needed to support new housing and jobs in Headington, and beyond, without attracting more traffic to the area.</p>	<p>Oxfordshire County Council</p>	<p>The project area includes the B4495 from Cherwell Drive/Marsh Lane to Horspath Driftway and the Eastern Bypass, as well as Old Road.</p> <p>Proposed changes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junction improvements • New cycle lanes and crossings • New pedestrian crossings • Changes to on-street parking • New bus lanes • Localised road widening <p>The implementation of changes is planned for summer 2016 to spring 2018.</p>	<p>Complete Detailed design and commence construction.</p> <p>Construction Start: 17 October 2016</p> <p>Construction complete: 30 September 2018</p>	<p>Works have completed for first phase on schedule.</p>	<p>Second phase of works started in May 2017.</p>	<p>on track</p>
<p>GROWTH DEAL</p>	<p>Science Vale cycle Route Hugo Terry</p>	<p>Improved cycle connectivity and facilities between the main residential and employment and Service areas.</p>	<p>Supports EZ growth and new housing in the Didcot/Science Vale area.</p>	<p>Oxfordshire County Council</p>	<p>Design and Implementation of new and significantly improved cycle tracks/paths</p> <p>First route (6a) due to start construction October 2017.</p>	<p>First cycle routes to commence detailed design, with construction for the first route also due to start.</p> <p>Business Case G2 to be approved: July 2017.</p> <p>Construction of all routes complete: 31/3/2019</p>	<p>Procurement of Preliminary Design consultant was completed and consultant has been appointed.</p> <p>The first of the preliminary design routes have been completed.</p>	<p>This project is amber due to delays in the procurement and appointment of the detailed design consultant which may have a knock on impact to construction dates. The programme for delivery of route 6a in October has no further time risk.</p> <p>Route prioritisation will seek to reduce the delay to starting construction.</p>	<p>minor issues and/or delays</p>

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<p>GROWTH DEAL</p>	<p>Oxford Science Transit Phase 2 Hugo Terry</p>	<p>Capacity improvements with the focus on improved and more reliable journey times for express bus services through the junction.</p>	<p>Key element of the Science Transit programme.</p>	<p>Oxfordshire County Council</p>	<p>Feasibility and preliminary design to firm up scheme scope, design and costs, planning application (if required), detailed design then construction/ implementation</p> <p>Feasibility designs and cost estimate finalised and public consultation starts (Dec 16)</p> <p>Prelim design (Feb-Apr 17) Detailed design (Jul 17-May 18)</p> <p>Submit full Business Case and Approval Application to DfT (Dec 17)</p> <p>Construction (Sep 18 - Sept 20)</p>	<p>Complete Feasibility design, and commence Preliminary Design.</p> <p>Stakeholder workshops: August 2016</p> <p>Preliminary Design start: February 2017</p> <p>Detailed Design Start: July 2017</p> <p>Construction Start: September 2018</p> <p>Construction Complete: September 2020</p>	<p>Public consultation complete and Preliminary Design commenced.</p> <p>Discussions with DfT have progressed regarding business case, and consultants have been procured to prepare the Cases. Funding has been agreed to be provided by the DfT to support design development.</p>	<p>Funding was approved to commence Preliminary Design by Aecom.</p>	<p>on track</p>
<p>GROWTH DEAL</p>	<p>Didcot Station Car Park Clare Kingswood</p>	<p>Enabling the development potential of Harwell, Milton Park and Didcot to be realised through enhanced transport connectivity and capacity with circa 900 jobs accommodated;</p>		<p>Great Western Railway (GWR)</p>	<p>Delivery of a new Multi Storey Car Park at Didcot Parkway Station, including improved links between the Foxhall Road site and the station entrance</p> <p>MSCP open by March 2018.</p>	<p>Installation of Network Rail mast</p> <p>Temporary car park installation</p> <p>Installation of covered footbridge</p> <p>Start on site of main car park</p> <p>Start on site: March 2017</p> <p>Project completion: March 2018</p>	<p>Completion of the installation of the Network Rail communications mast (enabling the development).</p> <p>Conditional Landlord's Consent received from Network Rail.</p> <p>Temporary car park to begin construction in April.</p>	<p>GWR was aiming for an accelerated completion date, however issues beyond the control of GWR (ensuring that a booster radio mast is in place to ensure no impact on railway signaling) means that the completion date is later than previously reported to the Board.</p> <p>The project completion date is still in accordance with the completion date in the original Expression of Interest to the Strategic Economic Plan.</p>	<p>on track</p>

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GROWTH DEAL	Queen Street Hugo Terry	Improvements to Oxford City Centre public transport including the possible closure of Queen Street	Supporting new jobs in Oxford City Centre	Oxfordshire County Council	Delivery of a programme of changes to improve bus flows and add bus stop capacity to cater for growth in passenger numbers including those arising from the Westgate development.	Complete installation of bus infrastructure before October 2017	Cabinet decided to progress with closure of Queen Street to buses. A revised works programme has been established to ensure necessary bus infrastructure is implemented	on track
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