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Our Vision

**To establish Sunderland
as the hub of a regional
centre for software
excellence...**



Four Delivery Streams

Enterprise

Innovation

Education

Infrastructure



Four Delivery Partners

Sunderland City Council

University of Sunderland

Business & Innovation Centre

Codeworks Connect



Target Businesses

Inward Investment
(including 'Soft Landing' Model)

Existing Indigenous Businesses

Start-up Businesses



Business Offerings

Guidance and Access to Finance

Technical Skills and Support

Business Skills and Support

Accessing Markets

Infrastructure



Target Learners

Pre 14 within Primary and Secondary Schools

Further Education and Higher Education students and graduates

Learners accessing Continuous Professional Development opportunities, including individuals working in both technical and non-technical roles in the software industry

Influencers of learners



Learner Offerings

Sector Knowledge

Career Development

Education and Training

Facilities



Physical Locations



**e.volve
Business Centre**
Sunderland
City Council



**Software
Hatchery**
University
of Sunderland



Jupiter Centre
North East
Business & Innovation
Centre



**St Peter's
Gate**
University
of Sunderland



**Sunderland
Software Centre**
Sunderland
City Council



Progress

New Software Businesses Created: **35**

Software Professional Jobs Created: **100**

Software Businesses Assisted: **117**

New Business Collaborations: **135**

Individuals Assisted with Skills: **1,336**

Research & Innovation Funding Secured: **£794,000**





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The Future

Software is a targeted Sector in Sunderland's Economic Masterplan...

...a key component of 'Aim 2':
'A National Hub of the Low Carbon Economy'.

Proposed changes to delivery arrangements...



Sunderland Software Centre

facts and figures →



Sunderland Software Centre

City Centre car park site (Tavistock Place).
53,000 sq.ft. of floorspace.
Total cost up to £10 million.
Accommodation for 60 businesses.
140 jobs for software professionals.
Completed late 2011.





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World-class connections.



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