Bromley Economic Partnership

Bromley Civic Centre

16.00 - 17.30 Tuesday 26 March 2024



AGENDA

- 1. Welcome and Apologies
- 2. Questions from Councillors and Members of the public attending the meeting
- 3. Minutes of the BEP meeting 23 January 2024 and matters outstanding
- 4. Bromley Economic Outlook Update
- 5. Economic Development Service Update
- 6. Deep Dive Topic: Inward Investment
- 7. Partner update
- 8. Any other Business
- 9. Dates of future meetings

1. Welcome and Apologies

Apologies received from:

- Robert Sargent, Managing Director, Cobalt Ltd
- Russell Clarke, Director, Sundridge Investments Limited
- Liz Timms (Treval Engineering Limited)
- Mike Lewis (Michael Rogers LLP)

Joining online:

- Zoe Carr, BID Manager, Penge SE20
- Frances Forrest, BID Manager, Your Bromley
- Adam Breeze, Breeze Strategy

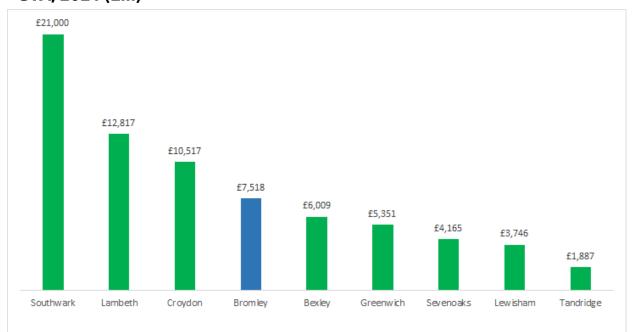
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4. Bromley Economic Outlook

A productivity metric that measures the contribution to an economy (i.e. a value for goods and services produced minus the cost of attributable inputs and raw materials).

GVA, 2021 (£m)



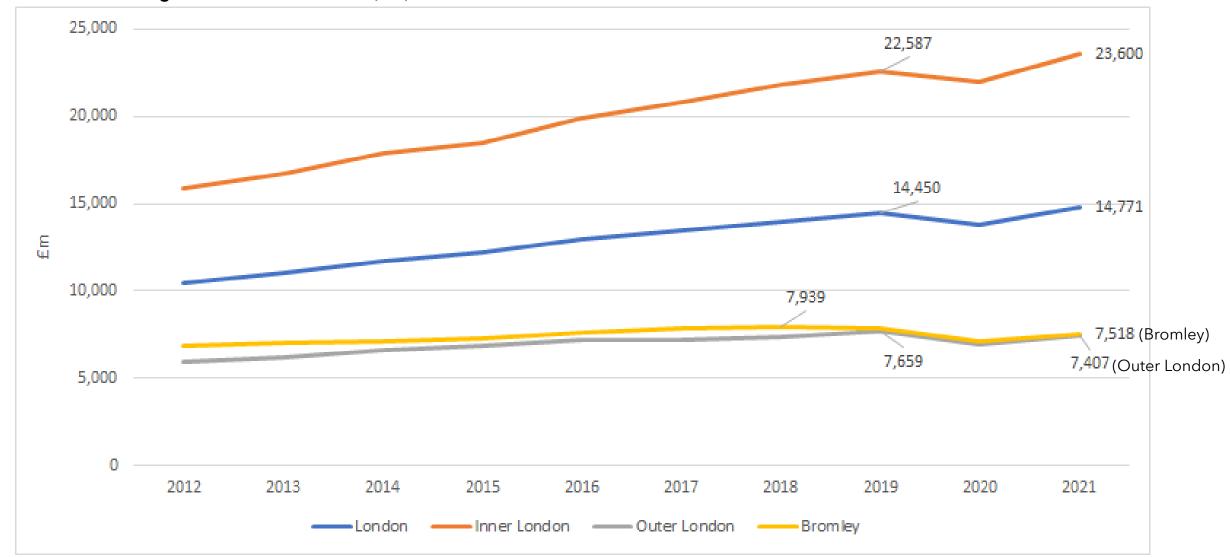
GVA per filled Job, 2021



London total £487bn (Bromley represents 1.5% at £7.5bn)

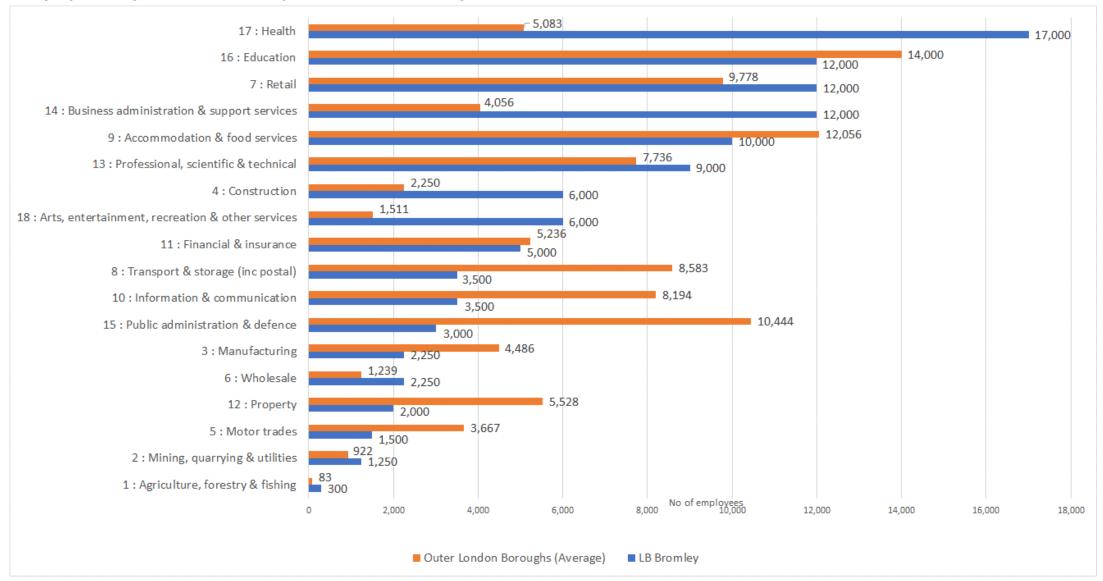
Economic Outlook: GVA, 10 Year Trend (2012-21)

GVA, Mean Average, 10 Year Trend, 2012-21 (£m)



Economic Outlook: Employment by sector

Employment by sector (LB Bromley, Outer London Boroughs, 2022)



Economic Outlook: Job Posting Data (last 12 months)



Overview

4,029

Unique Postings ?

16,879 Total Postings

765

Employers Competing ②

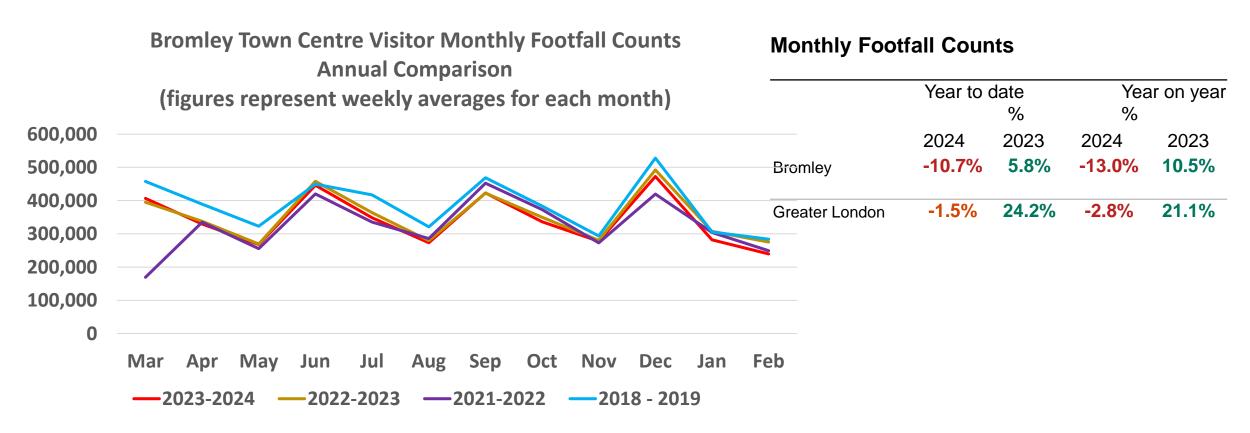
1,443 Total Employers

Postings by Industry	Total/Unique		
Human Health Activities	6,953 / 1,048		
Activities of Head Offices; Management Consultancy Activities	669 / 214		
Education	521 / 148		
Sports Activities and Amusement and Recreation Activities	722 / 132		
Residential Care Activities	652 / 122		
Retail Trade, Except of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	653 / 112		
Food and Beverage Service Activities	512 / 95		
Other Personal Service Activities	434 / 94		
Public Administration and Defence; Compulsory Social Security	119 / 80		
Other Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	174 / 79		
Computer Programming, Consultancy and Related Activities	146 / 70		
Architectural and Engineering Activities; Technical Testing and Analysis	162 / 70		
Office Administrative, Office Support and Other Business Support Activities	217 / 70		

Postings by Company	Total/Unique
NHS	4,800 / 818
Bromley Healthcare Charity	1,665 / 113
Mytime Active	297 / 73
London South East Colleges	122 / 67
London Borough Of Bromley	65 / 64
Trust Payments	304 / 58
Sgn	135 / 51
Bromley Healthcare Cic Ltd	126 / 48
Bromley GP Alliance Limited	93 / 47
Fennies International Limited	117 / 44
Calfordseaden Llp	91 / 41
Excelcare Holdings	197 / 39
Tpf Recruitment	105 / 35
Outcomes First Group	138 / 32
Vertex It Solutions	47 / 30
Direct Line Insurance Group Plc	35 / 24

Source: Lightcast, 2024

Economic Outlook: Footfall (Bromley Town Centre)

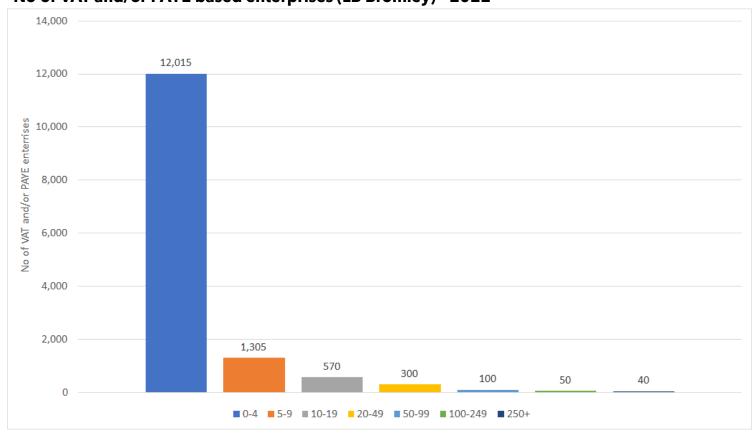


Bromley Town Centre Monthly Footfall:

- Monthly footfall levels in the town centre has remained below the pre-covid levels in 2019
- Monthly footfall levels in the town centre showed a **gradual increase** post-pandemic up until 2023
- Monthly footfall levels in the town centre has shown a reduction of 10.7% in 2024 compared to the same period last year during 2023 (this compares with a reduction of 1.5% during the same period across London).

Economic Outlook: Business Demography

No of VAT and/or PAYE based enterprises (LB Bromley) - 2022



% of Micro, SME, and Large VAT and/or PAYE enterprises (LB Bromley, London, Inner and Outer London Boroughs)

	Micro (0-9)	SME (10-249)	Large (250+)
London	90.2	9.3	0.4
Inner London	87.9	11.5	0.6
Outer London	92.8	7.0	0.3
LB Bromley	92.6	7.1	0.3

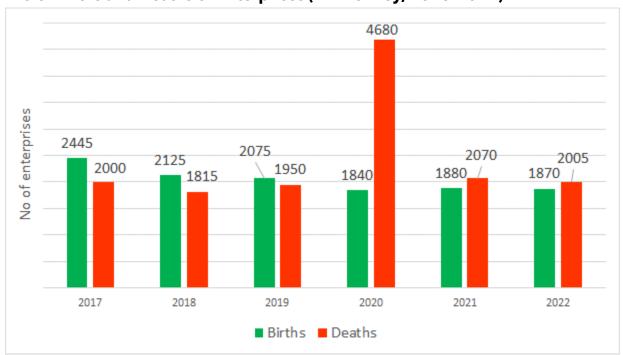
Source: Inter Departmental Business Register, ONS, Sept 2023

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Base: 14,380 VAT and/or PAYE businesses in Bromley

Economic Outlook: Enterprise

No of Births and Deaths of Enterprises (LB Bromley, 2018-2022)



Source: Inter Departmental Business Register, ONS, November 2023

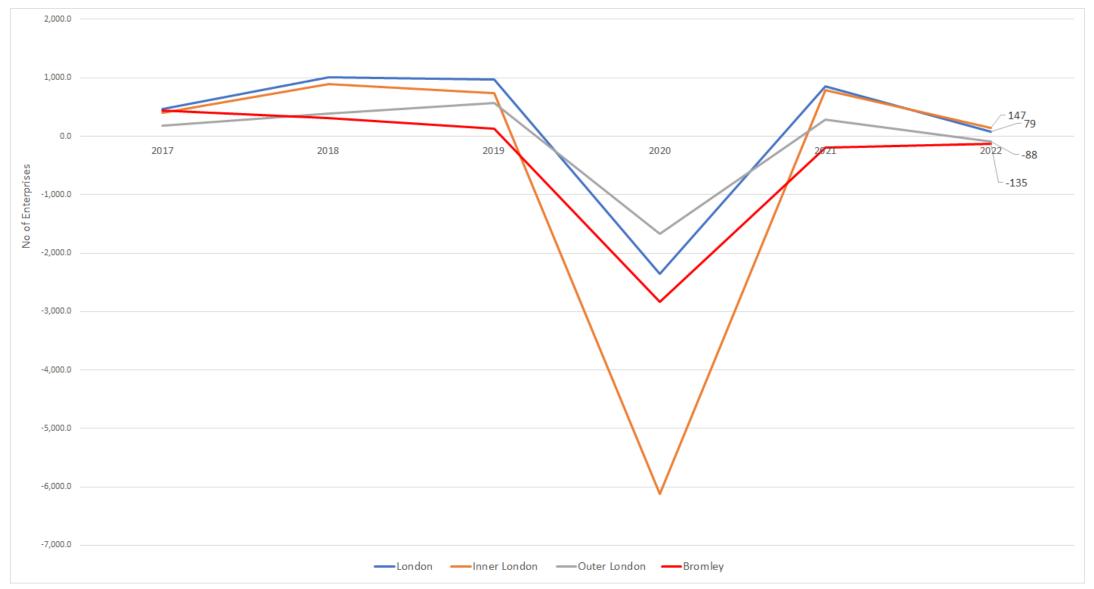
Net performance, Births v Deaths (LB Bromley, 2018-2022)



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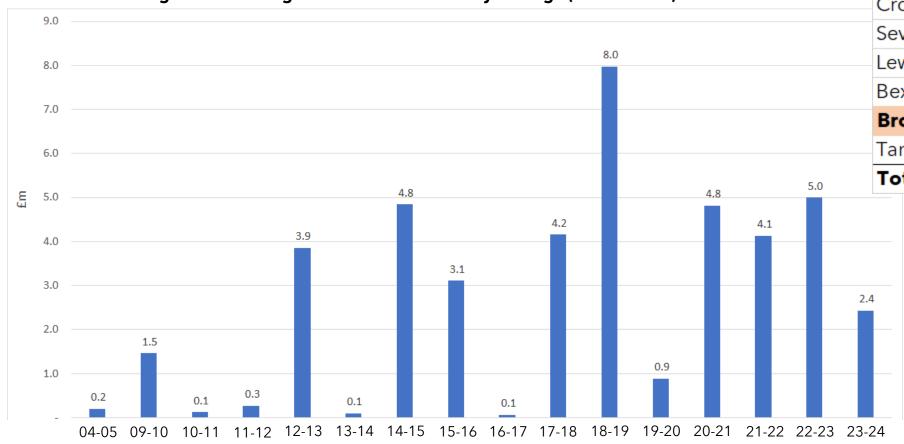
Economic Outlook: Enterprise

Mean Average Net performance, Births v Deaths (LB Bromley, Inner/Outer London and London 2018-2022)



Economic Outlook: Innovate UK

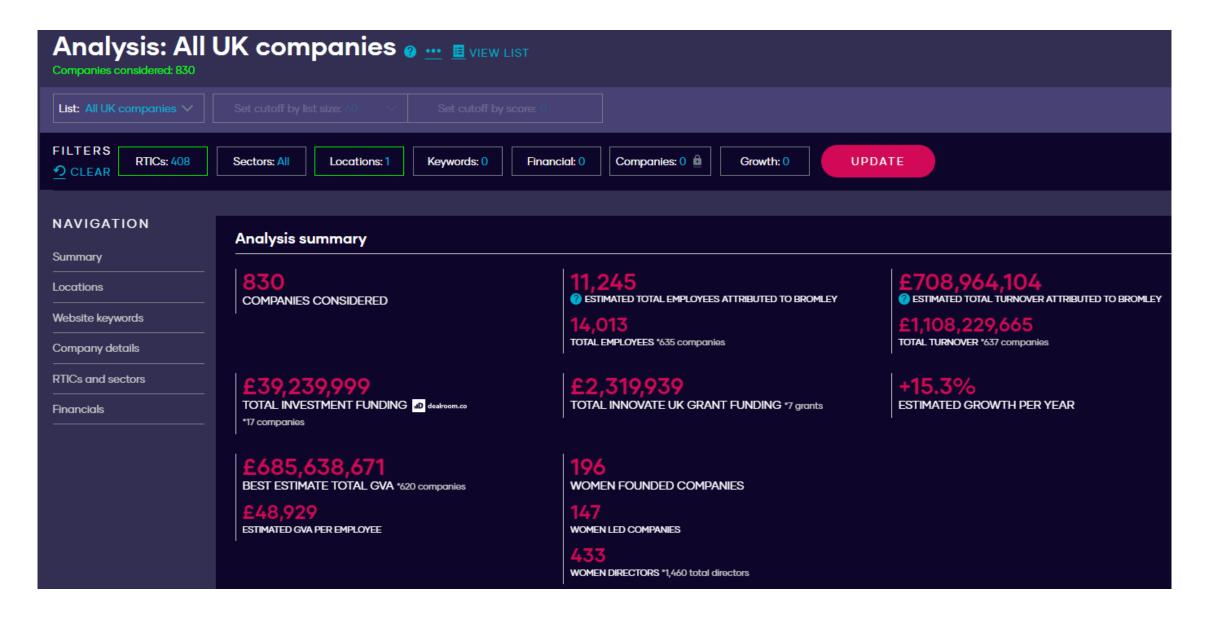
Innovate UK funding awarded to organisations within Bromley Borough (2004 - 2023)



Source: Innovate UK, 2024

Local Authority	£m ('000)	%
Southwark	6563.1	83.3
Lambeth	702.8	8.9
Greenwich	256.1	3.2
Croydon	82.2	1.0
Sevenoaks	79.1	1.0
Lewisham	71.5	0.9
Bexley	44.9	0.6
Bromley	43.4	0.6
Tandridge	38.3	0.5
Total	7.881.3	100

Economic Outlook: Real-Time Industrial Classifications (RTICs)



Economic Outlook: Top 15 RTICs



- Where are these businesses?
- How do we best support them?
- What are the spatial implications?

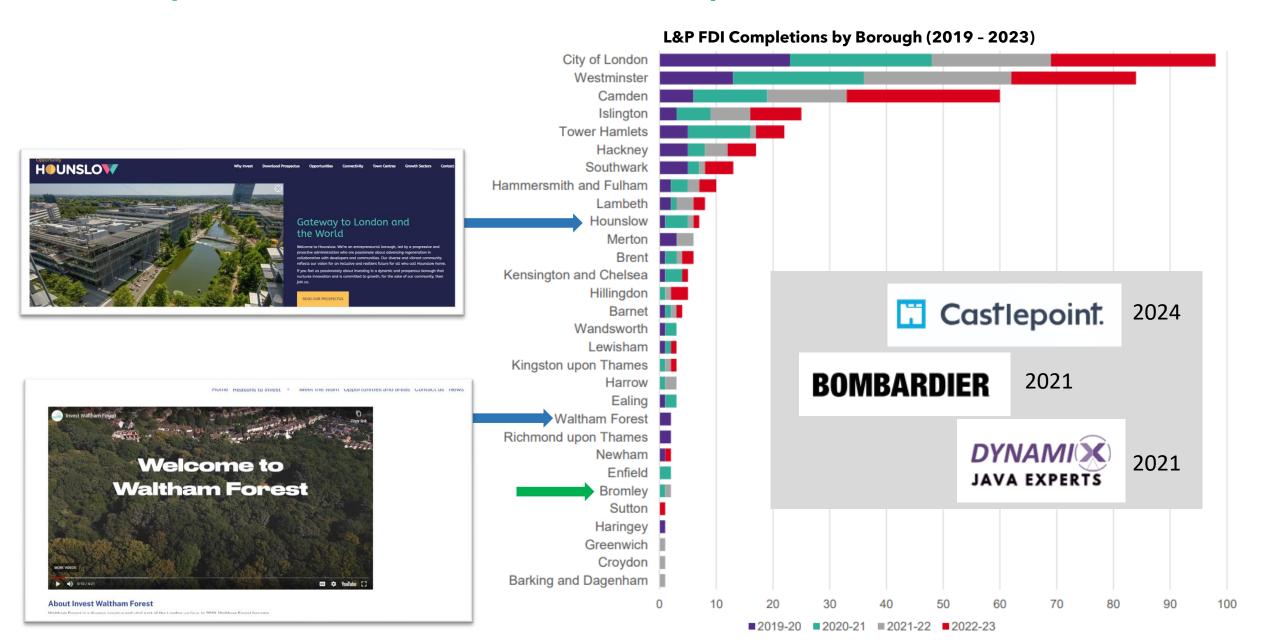
Economic Outlook: Commercial space (office)

KEY INDICATORS

Current Quarter	NIA	Vacancy Rate	Market Asking Rent	Availability Rate	Net Absorption SF	Deliveries SF	Under Construction
4 & 5 Star	691,586	6.6%	£24.33	6.6%	(18,595)	0	0
3 Star	2,179,523	6.9%	£23.49	7.4%	4,120	0	0
1 & 2 Star	816,421	2.3%	£21.99	2.3%	3,212	0	0
Submarket	3,687,530	5.8%	£23.31	6.1%	(11,263)	0	0
Annual Trends	12 Month	Historical Average	Forecast Average	Peak	When	Trough	When
Vacancy Change (YOY)	2.1%	3.8%	8.6%	7.7%	2007 Q4	1.9%	2004 Q1
Net Absorption SF	(75.8K)	(13,336)	(59,282)	130,808	2010 Q1	(124,650)	2015 Q4
Deliveries SF	0	5,607	203	50,964	2005 Q2	0	2023 Q4
Market Asking Rent Growth	2.4%	2.7%	-0.1%	15.3%	2016 Q3	-4.1%	2011 Q1
Sales Volume	£51.6M	£18M	N/A	£61.2M	2015 Q1	£0	2023 Q1

Source: CoSTAR, March 2024

Bromley Economic Outlook: FDI completions

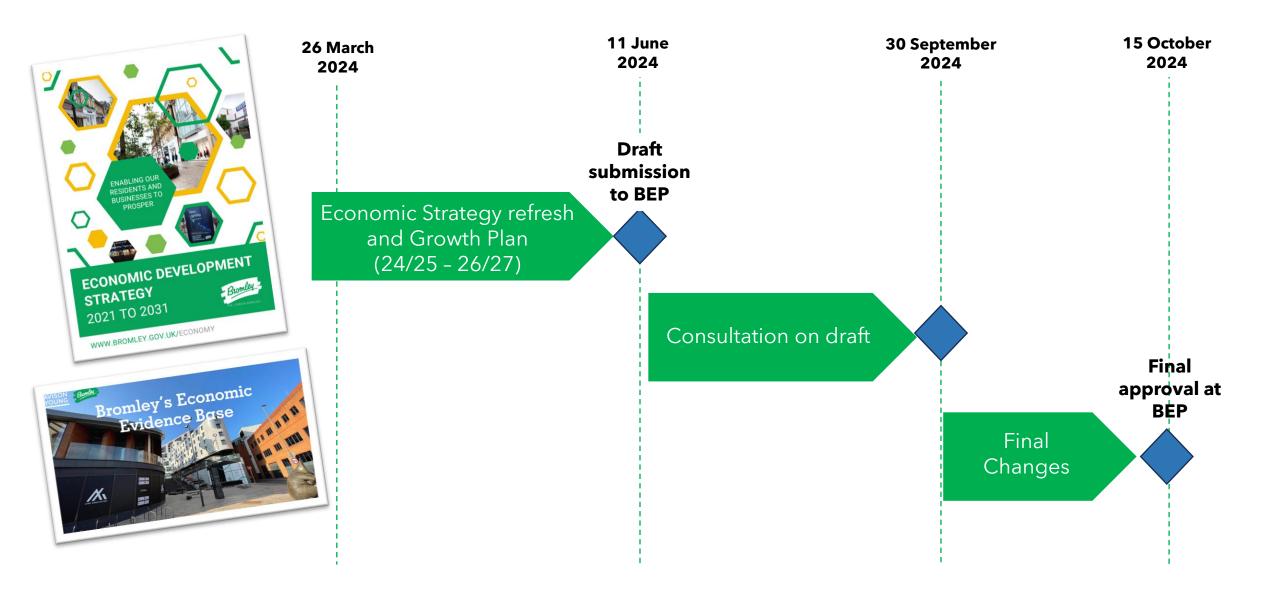


5. Economic Development Service Update

ED Service Update

- General reflections...
- Economic Refresh and Growth Plan development
- Business Engagement activity:
 - Large employers (Splash Damage)
 - High Growth businesses (Collins Contractors)
 - Bromley Business Network (13 March)
- Commercial Agent Developer Forum launched (12 March)
- Inward Investment Workshop Tuesday 7th May (10.00 12.00)
- Skills Event for Care Leavers Tuesday 9th July (9.00 14.00) at LSEC Orpington Campus
- On-going BAU programme delivery...

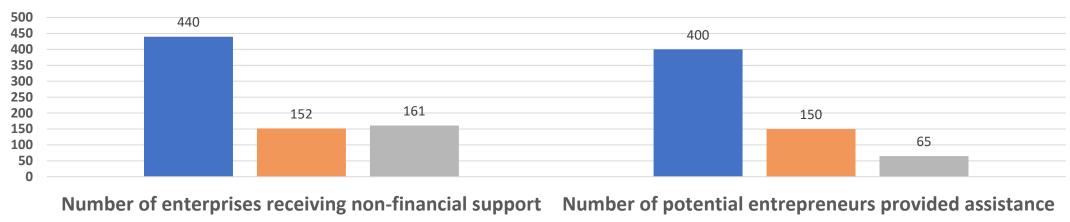
Economic refresh



5.1a ED Service Update: UKSPF Bromley Business Growth



Bromley Business Growth Key Performance Indicators Outputs (Actual vs Targets)



to be enterprise ready

■ Total Contract Target (at March 2025) ■ Total Profiled Target (at 31st Dec 2023)

■ Total Actual (at 31st Dec 2023)

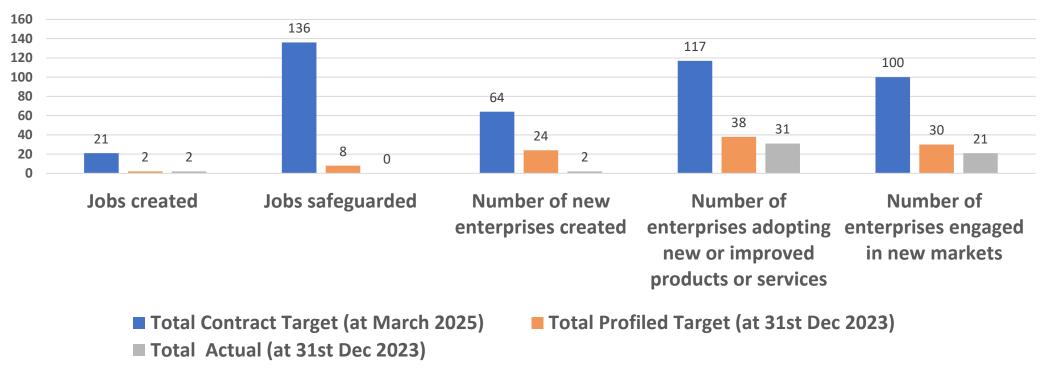
Outputs:

- GLA are monitoring key performance indicators (KPIs) overall across the individual BBG programmes.
- Satisfactory progress despite delayed the promotion due to the Council purdah/pre-election period.
- Successful launch of Bromley Business Growth with over 120 attendees at the event.
- GLA has recognised Start Up Bromley is likely to engage **fewer** entrepreneurs than anticipated, but they will engage **more** SMEs to compensate for this.
- Action plan in place by Start Up Bromley to attract more entrepreneurs (e.g events) and the situation is being monitored.

5.1b ED Service Update: UKSPF Bromley Business Growth



Bromley Business Growth Key Performance Indicators Outcomes (Actual vs Targets)



Outcomes:

- Outcomes are generally profiled to be achieved closer to the end of the programme in March 2025.
- Fewer than anticipated numbers of entrepreneurs has had an **initial impact on the number** of enterprises created, but the numbers are expected to improve later in the delivery.
- Carbon Architecture to introduce the Green Mark award pilot to improve environmental management systems for 10 SMEs

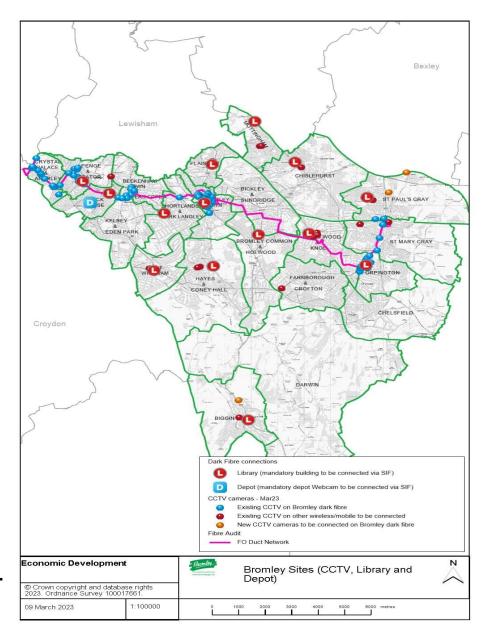
5.2 ED Service Update: Strategic Infrastructure Fund

Strategic Investment Fund (SIF) - Aim

- £937,744 grant in-kind awarded by TfL to deploy new full-fibre (dark-fibre) network to connect 21 Bromley Council sites including: 14 libraries, 2 depots, 4 new & existing CCTV sites, along with the new Civic Centre.
- Boldyn Networks & ITS (Tfl contractors) will:
 - connect the sites via 50km of additional new dark-fibre network infrastructure by December 2024,
 - include capacity for extra connections by public & private sector
 - extend connectivity to key economic growth/strategic areas
 (e.g Biggin Hill and Cray Valley)
 - provide £450k additional inward investment/match funding to commercialise the fibre by connecting businesses & residents.
 - ➤ **identify** suitable ISPs, or existing service/channel partners to encourage and promote commercial take-up of services.

Progress Update

- Delivery clarification meeting held with stakeholders in February 2024.
- Scheduled ongoing weekly check-in meetings to monitor progress.





Bromley's Night Time Enterprise Zone





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Key Successes

- Footfall up by 107%
- Visitors travelling into Bromley increased by 362%
- Increase in spend
- 1.7 million impressions on social media
- @BR1 Lates Instagram page
- Business toolkit
- Additional lighting and electricity
- Good Work Bromley

Night Strategy



- Evidence Base commissioned
 - SWOT analysis of main town centres
 - Recommendations on future interventions
- Consultation with businesses, residents and night workers
- Both evidence base and consultation will inform development of Night Strategy

6. Deep Dive topic: Inward Investment (Adam Breeze, Breeze Strategy)

Bromley & Inward Investment

Adam Breeze





30 years inward investment specialist

Worked with all levels of UK government

Advised 100+ locations and 100+ inward investments

Currently working with Tennessee, US and Leipzig, Germany

Lived in Sydenham in 1990s... but not been back since!











































What is Inward Investment?

Yes, foreign-owned firms moving into UK, but also can be...

Local companies expanding

Businesses relocating/expanding from Central London

UK companies needing more space

New **investment** that unlocks development

Talent attraction, Visitor attraction

Changed Landscape of Inward Investment

















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Question



The Bromley Paradox

Bromley is one of the...

Largest

Greenest

Wealthiest

Most Educated

Best Connected of the London Boroughs

But...



receives less than 0.5% of London's inward investment projects

What you need to consider

What do you want and why?

What do companies want/need?

What can you offer? How this compares to competitors?

How is this proposition best articulated?

How to engage proactively with targets?

How can you leverage wider support from partners?

What resources does it need?

How all this can be brought into an Action Plan?

Thanks. Questions?

7. Partner Updates

8. Any Other Business

9. Dates of future meetings

- 4.00pm, Tuesday 11th June 2024
- 4.00pm, Tuesday 15th October 2024
- 4.00pm, Tuesday 14th January 2025
- 4.00pm, Tuesday 1st April 2025

Thank you for attending!