

Project Name	Project Summary	Update	Risk
<p align="center">Business Support Officer</p>	<p>Business Support Officer to work across Tameside and encourage new business birth, working to raise Tameside's position currently at the lowest business birth rate in GM. This role will also support the new SME workspace available and highlight the opportunity to growing SME's (Small and medium-sized enterprise's).</p>	<p>Supported in organising latest Tameside Means Business Networking Event, which saw over 50 businesses attend. Frequently liaises with enterprises at Ashton Old Baths and entrepreneurs who attend the Tameside Talks Business monthly drop-in. Work collaboratively with Business Community Champions to provide businesses with crucial free support. Orchestrated a cake business taking on one of the council's cared for and looked after young people through Youth Employment Support scheme. Brought some of the borough's biggest employers into the Tameside Means Business network following meetings. Up to the end of June 2023 our Business Support Officer has engaged and supported 74 businesses in the area. This role is fixed to the end of the funding period, March 2025.</p>	<p align="center">Low</p>
<p>Ashton Old Baths / SME (Small and medium-sized enterprise) workspace</p>	<p>Ashton Old Baths is an established and successful conversion of a Grade II* Listed Building to an architectural award-winning incubation hub for media, technology and design along with a new Data Centre to ensure the very best in digital connectivity. This project will include the creation of undeveloped space in Ashton Old Baths that will result in new office floorspace - approximately 240m². The result of the work to Ashton Old Baths will mean space for new SMEs (Small and medium-sized enterprise's) in the building, bringing new jobs and a sustainable future for this state of the art building.</p>	<p>A cost plan of work is currently being revised to obtain up to date costings for the work that has been agreed. Once the revised cost plan has been completed a priority plan of work is to be created for capital work to begin. Creation of new SME (Small and medium-sized enterprise) workspace from undeveloped space within AOB is linked to the capital work above and will provide support for growing and new businesses which is currently limited across all of Tameside. SME workspace improvements have already began & survey's needed for the capital work at AOB to take place start to take place in the coming months.</p>	<p align="center">Low</p>

Project	23/24			24/25		Total	
	Budget Allocation £m	Spend to 31 Aug 23 £m	Total Forecast £m	Budget Allocation £m	Forecast Spend £m	Budget Allocation £m	Forecast Spend £m
Ashton Old Baths / SME workspace	0.224	0	0.224	0.91	0.91	1.134	1.134
Business Support Officer	0.038	0.013	0.038	0.043	0.043	0.081	0.081
Total	0.262	0.013	0.262	0.953	0.953	1.215	1.215