



stowmarket innovation gateway

Shaping the future of
technology and business
in the East of England



Start your journey at Stowmarket Innovation Gateway



Speak to the team



At Stowmarket Innovation Gateway, ambition meets opportunity

The Stowmarket Innovation Gateway (SIG) is a new regional hub for technology, innovation, and business growth.

It is located at Gateway 14 on the Freeport East site in Stowmarket. SIG connects ambitious companies, SMEs, researchers, and innovators who are shaping the future of work, industry, and technology adoption across the East of England.

Through partnerships with leading institutions — including The AI Hub in Generative Models, the Universities of Suffolk and Essex, and Hethel Innovation — SIG helps local businesses spark new ideas, explore emerging technologies, and turn innovation into practical, commercial solutions.

By combining national expertise with local insight, SIG supports companies to spark new ideas and adopt emerging technologies.

Why base your business here?

✓ Prime Location

Positioned within Gateway 14 and the Freeport East zone, we are located at Junction 50 of the A14 and in close proximity to the railway station with lines connecting London, Norwich and Cambridge.

✓ Plug-and-Play Innovation Environment

Ready-to-go offices, co-working, and collaboration spaces, fully equipped with high-speed fibre and modern AV to support technology-led businesses.

✓ Tax + Customs Benefits

As a Freeport tenant, businesses can benefit from zero-rate Class 1 NICs on new hires and enhanced capital allowances that accelerate tax relief on investment in equipment such as hardware, servers, robotics and editing suites.

✓ Support for Growth

Access to innovation coaching, accelerators, and practical business support from Hethel Innovation and university partners.

✓ Access to National Expertise

Partnerships with the The AI Hub and other research institutions provide direct links to cutting-edge technology and research in AI and other domains.

✓ Skills and Talent Pipeline

Collaboration with local FE colleges and universities to deliver tailored digital and AI training for your team.

✓ Collaboration and Visibility

Join a curated community of innovators, researchers, and entrepreneurs sharing opportunities, insights, and networks.

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Our region

- 01** University of Suffolk  Norwich International Airport
- 02** University of Essex  Stansted Airport
- 03** University of East Anglia  Great Yarmouth Port
- 04** Norwich University of the Arts  Lowestoft Port
- 05** Suffolk New College  Ipswich Port
- 06** Colchester Institute  Felixstowe Port
- 07** West Suffolk College  Rail
- 08** Gateway 14  Amsterdam
- 09** Freeport East  Rotterdam
- 10** MENTA@inc  Antwerp

Who Stowmarket Innovation Gateway was designed for

SIG welcomes all organisations that want to use technology to transform how things are made, moved, or managed, or to generate new technologies.

- Innovative SMEs and startups developing or adopting AI, automation, or advanced tech.
- SMEs from any sector leveraging digital tools or data-driven processes to enhance productivity, sustainability, or service delivery.
- R&D teams from established firms piloting or testing new digital systems.
- Skills, training, and education providers advancing tech and digital capabilities.
- Public sector innovation and charities that promote digital inclusion.

If you're driving innovation or digital transformation, Stowmarket Innovation Gateway is your next base of operations.



Join the cluster



Facilities and Space

Stowmarket Innovation Gateway is a 35,000 ft² three-storey building, built to meet high BREEAM standard.

- 44 private offices ranging from 193 ft² to 740 ft² to suit individual or team requirements.
- 60-desk co-working space with hotdesks available for day use or permanent booking.
- Seven fully equipped meeting rooms with modern AV, high-speed connectivity, and adaptable layouts for any business need.
- On-site café offering fresh, locally sourced food and beverages.
- Dedicated 10 Gbps symmetric fibre connectivity and secure digital infrastructure throughout the building.
- Ample on-site parking with EV charging facilities.

Spaces can be scaled up or reconfigured to suit business growth.



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The extras

All tenants can tap into a lively programme of technology talks, hands-on workshops, and hands-on AI application sessions featuring leading researchers, technologists and industry experts. SIG is a vibrant environment where ideas are shared, skills are built, and technology comes to life.



Support

In-house tailored innovation support provided by Hethel Innovation.



Partnerships

SIG is building partnerships with some of the UK's most forward-thinking technology and research centres — starting with the UCL Generative AI Hub, bringing national expertise and breakthrough ideas into the heart of Suffolk.



Skills and Training

Professional and community-level digital upskilling.



Events and Networks

Monthly meetups, innovation talks, and technology showcases.



Find your
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Location Advantage

Suffolk Innovation Gateway sits at the heart of Gateway 14, a brand new business park buzzing with cutting-edge companies and modern facilities.

Your business will be part of a vibrant, forward-looking cluster, surrounded by ambitious neighbours and opportunities for collaboration.

Nestled in Stowmarket, one of Suffolk's most picturesque market towns, SIG combines professional connectivity with quality of life. Just a convenient drive from Cambridge and London, you can tap into the UK's leading innovation hubs while enjoying the charm, space, and community of Suffolk.

Stowmarket is well-connected by road and rail, making commuting and business travel convenient across the East of England and beyond.



Start your innovation journey

Building tours from March 2026
Spaces available from April 2026

Join the community that's building the future of innovation in the East of England.



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