



Technology Corridors

The region has a buoyant high technology base. And great emphasis has been placed on allowing our technology community to retain its international edge. Three “technology corridors” have been established to build on and nurture the existing regional technology strengths in targeted key industries.

Three hotspots provide real opportunities.

Central Technology Belt

- * The Central Technology Belt is the ideal location for organisations active in the areas of medical technologies, nanotechnology, materials engineering and environmental technologies
- * It runs from central Birmingham, into north Worcestershire
- * The three Science Parks within the Belt – Aston Science Park, Birmingham Research Park and Malvern Hills Science Park – provide incubator units to nurture emerging and growing businesses

The Coventry, Solihull, Warwickshire Triangle

- * The triangle has specialisms across the areas of ICT, motorsport, product engineering and design and medical technologies
- * Design support is available to assist design based companies to access the high level skills in the two Universities
- * Early stage risk finance and professional support is available to accelerate good ICT start up businesses

Wolverhampton Telford Technology Corridor

- * The University of Wolverhampton’s IT Futures Centre will provide advice, consultancy, guidance and high level training to assist businesses
- * Creative media enterprises will feature in a Creative Industries Centre at the Wolverhampton Science Park
- * The E-innovations Centre, a business incubator unit for e-business, e-learning and ICT start up enterprises, is currently being built at the University of Wolverhampton’s Telford Campus
- * The Polymer Cluster has been established in Telford to provide access to a package of support and collaborative opportunities for companies in and related to the polymer industry in the West Midlands
- * The Advanced Engineering Cluster can provide packages of free practical support and collaborative opportunities to small and medium sized enterprises in the engineering industries in the West Midlands Region