

BUSINESS NEWS



Your regular newsletter from Gosport Borough Council

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A promotional banner for a webinar. It features the "logiclab" logo in red and black on the left. To its right is the "Hampshire Growth Hub" logo. Below the logos is a circular portrait of James McNerny, a man with glasses and a beard. To the right of the portrait, the text reads: "AI Agents for Small Businesses", "Hosted by James McNerny from Logic Lab AI", "Free webinar on Microsoft Teams", "Wednesday 28 May, 2025", and "12pm - 1pm". At the bottom left is the "Hampshire Prosperity Partnership" logo, and at the bottom right is the "Funded by UK Government" logo.

Is your business ready for AI?

There's two opportunities to learn about artificial intelligence (AI) and how it could help your business:

Free AI assessment for your business

1. The Federation of Small Businesses, in partnership with Code Institute, invites you to join a AI Maturity Assessment. It's a regional initiative helping businesses across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight understand their current AI readiness and identify the next steps in their journey.

Take part in two expert-led educational workshops exploring the AI Maturity Framework and complete an in-depth AI maturity assessment survey, helping you benchmark your organisation's capabilities across six key areas.

[Register your place.](#)

Boost your business efficiency: discover AI agents in action

2. Join the [Hampshire Growth Hub](#) and [James McNerny](#), Co-Founder and Head of Design at [Logic Lab AI](#), in a free webinar about AI agents can streamline tasks and save time for small businesses.

It's taking place on Wednesday 28 May, from 12pm to 1pm on Microsoft Teams. You'll discover how AI agents can generate leads, draft emails, manage projects and write reports efficiently and cost-effectively.

Places are limited, register [here](#) for your place now.



Daedalus Waterfront takes off

Blanchard Wells has announced that it is creating a new technology centre and construction hub at the 42-acre mixed-use waterfront development by Patron Daedalus.

[Read more](#)



Co-working at YourSpace

YourSpace, Gosport is the new name for the Imagination Refinery at 51-52 High Street in the town centre.

The community venue, commissioned by the council with Government funding, continues to provide free to use co-working space as part of its digital hub offer.

[Find out more](#)

New rules for workplace recycling



Workplace recycling in England changed on 31 March 2025 for all businesses, charities and public sector organisations on separating recyclable waste. Now you must always separate dry recyclable waste, food waste and non-recyclable waste from each other before it is collected.

[More details](#)



Design team appointed to develop plans for Gosport's waterfront

The council has appointed a team of expert designers to develop detailed plans for improving the town's historic waterfront. The masterplan will cover the area from the Submarine Museum to Hardway and also incorporates the town centre.

[Read more](#)

FSB free business bootcamps

Gosport businesses are invited to a business bootcamp in Portsmouth on Wednesday 18 June, being held by the Federation of Small Businesses.

From 9.30am to 2pm at Lakeside, Portsmouth, this free event is an excellent opportunity for small business owners and the self-employed to connect, learn, and grow in an ever-evolving business world.

The FSB Business Bootcamp will bring together expert speakers, small business owners, and support organisations to provide invaluable insights and tools. Whether you're looking for strategies to boost your business or simply seeking connections, this event is packed with opportunities to help your business thrive. Free parking included.

[Book your place](#)



Join Gosport's business network

The next GIN (Gosport Informal Networking) at The Old Bake House is on on Thursday 15 May, from 10am-12pm. Join if you run a business or you're thinking of starting one, to help expand your connections, get support from your peers and share business advice. Free and no membership fees.

[Book place](#)



Google Digital Garage coming to Gosport

Join Enterprise Nation in partnership with Google on 30 May for a free training workshop to help you develop new digital skills. Google Digital Garage workshops are designed to help you grow your business online and find new customers. The event is free, with refreshments and lunch provided. Places are limited.

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