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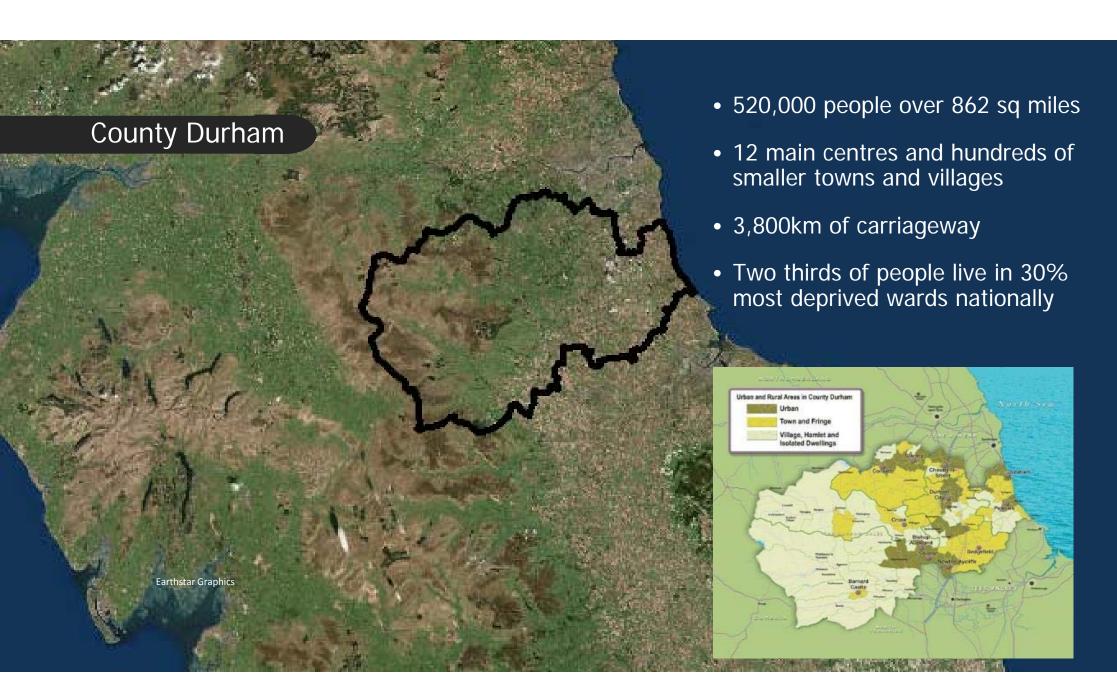
where people expect great services

Terry Collins, Chief Executive Durham County Council



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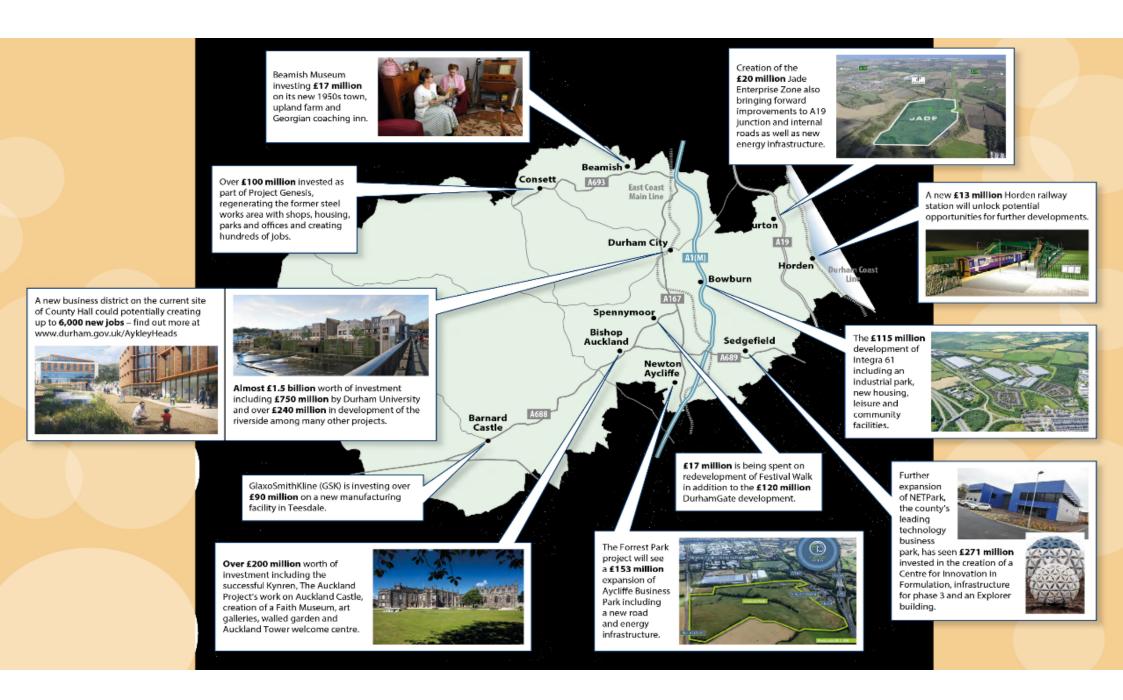


Unitary council since 2009
 7th largest council by population
 Largest council in North East

8,500 employees exc. schools
17,800 incl. schools
£1.4bn gross budget

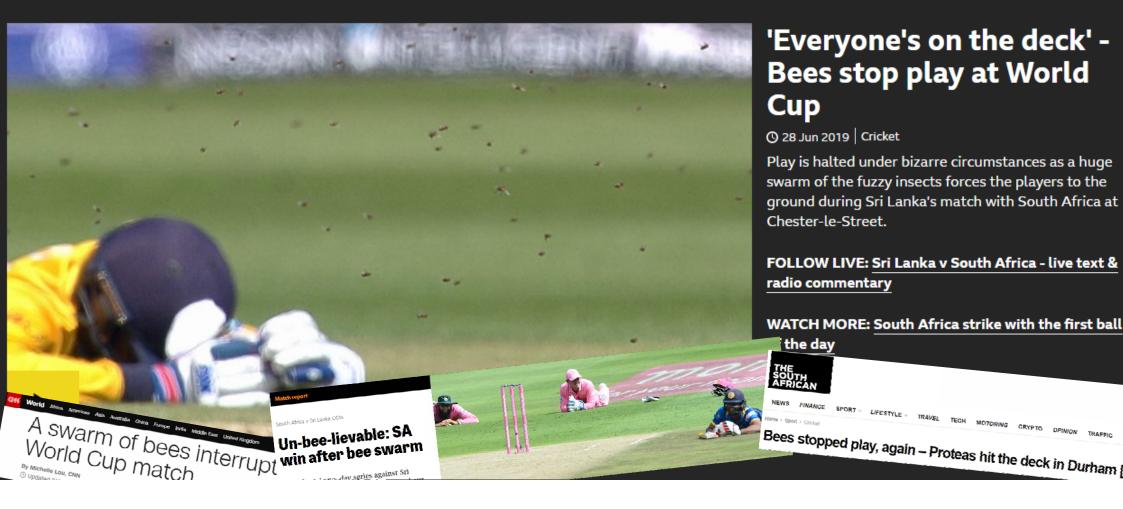


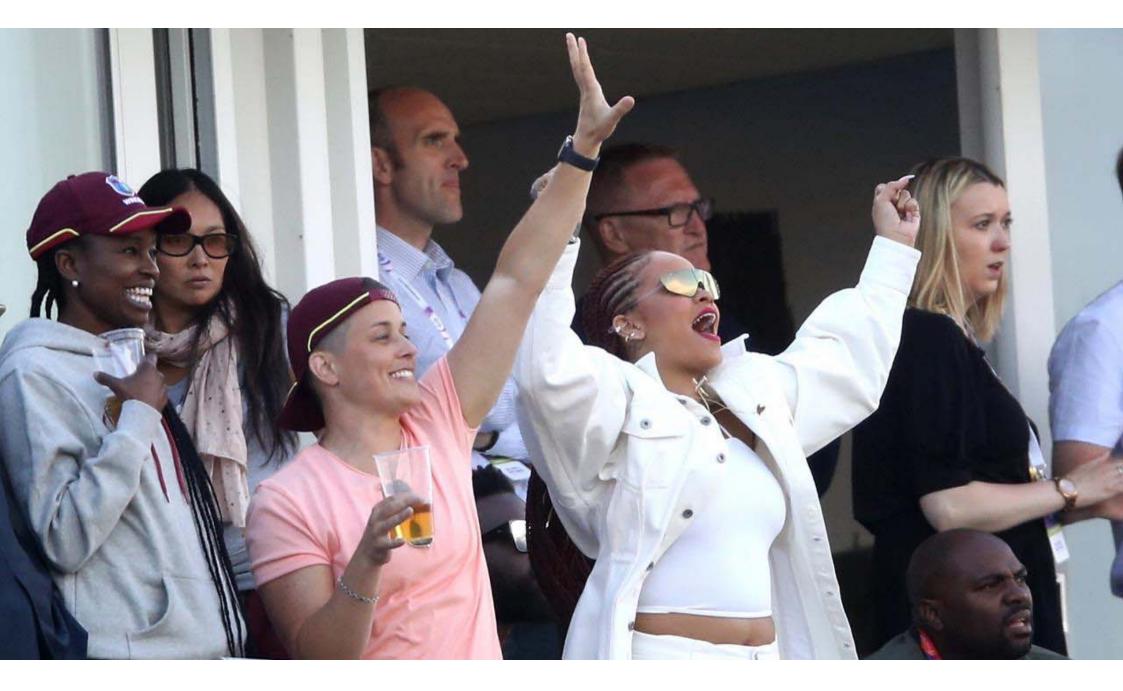






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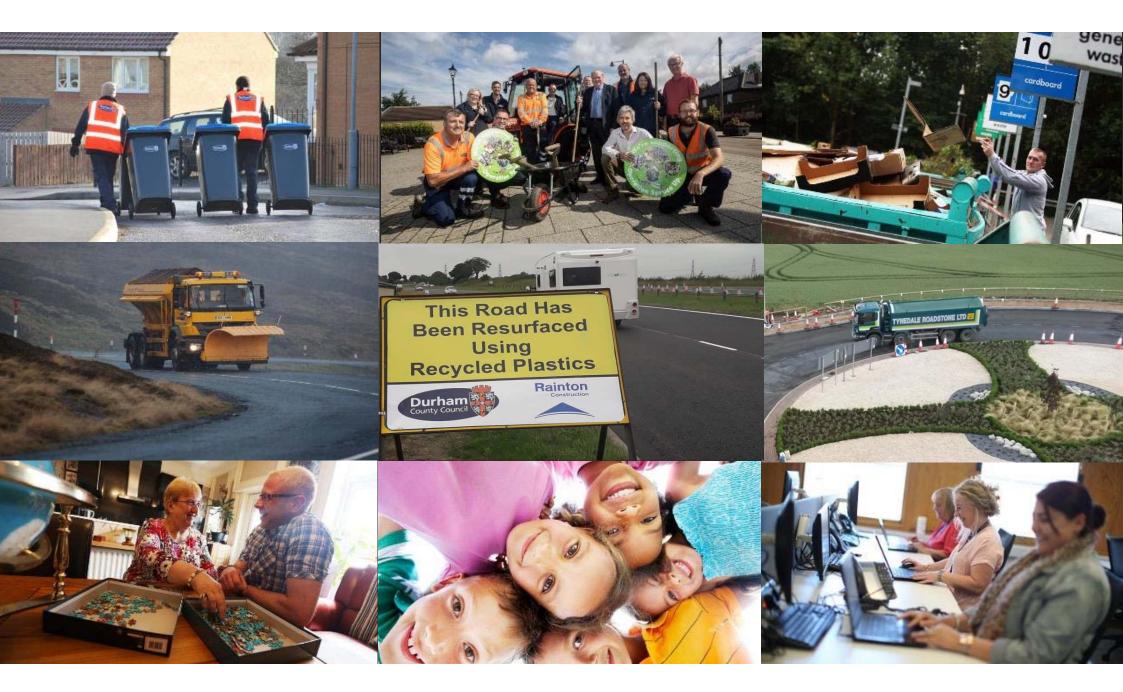








- Brought eight councils together while maintaining performance.
- New model of community engagement based on local partnership working.
- Award-winning community assets transfer programme retained 100 community centres.
- Housing stock transfer to bring thousands of homes up to DHS.
- Apprenticeship and employability programmes.
- Helped over 1,300 families in nationally recognised scheme.
- Most efficient highways authority in the country.
- Saved £209m to date and on track to save nearly £218m by the end of this year.



What we have learned

In-house services provide us with:

- certainty
- control
- flexibility
- financial benefits
- development and commercial opportunities
- motivated and loyal staff
- ambassadors for our county
- future leaders

What we have learned

Mixed economy of support managed by our internal team enhances our in-house work.

Sometimes the best option is to use the private sector.



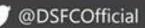


once again. Well done everyone - the hard work has paid off!

95% of vocational entries were awarded Distinction* or Distinction grades. A fantastic achievement!

A-Level and Vocational results at Well done to both students and staff.





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Taxpayers face huge bill for collapse of Carillion



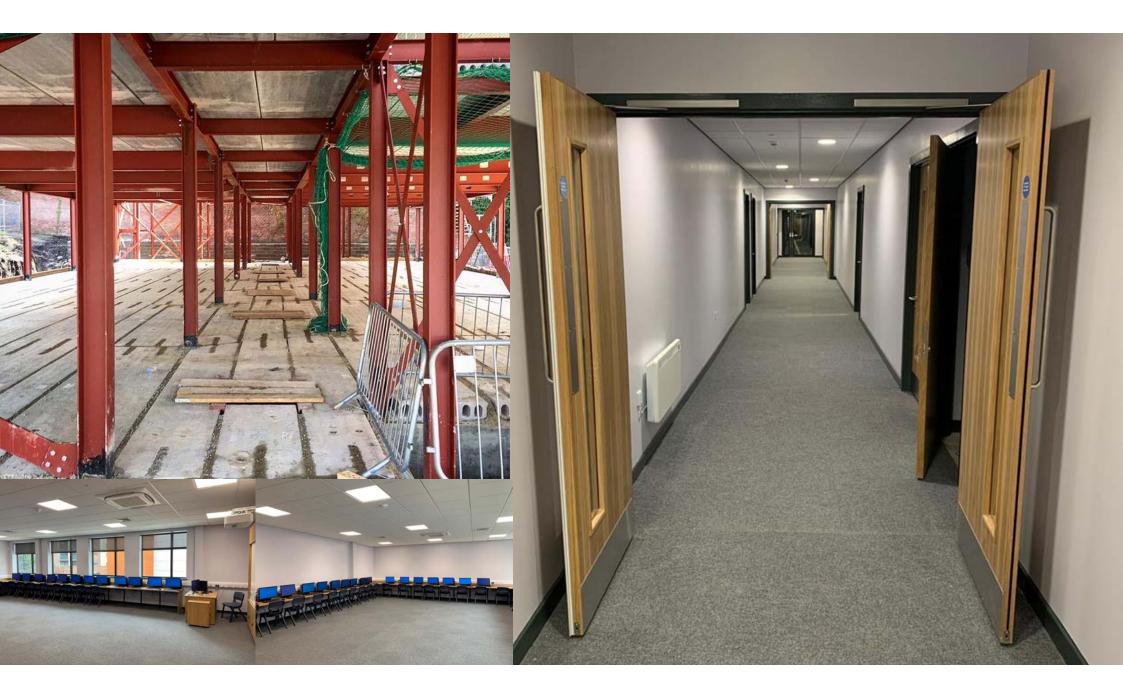
Durham Sixth Form Centre

INSIDE THE NEW BUILD: 1 Here the view from the third floor of the new Durham Sixth Form Centre Digital Media Centre. Durham County Council are delivering the project. #WatchThisSpace #LoveDurham #iamdsfc #DSFCNewBuild

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What we have learned

We did the work for the same budget, in less time, and with a late extension to the building.

Managed a time-sensitive programme and constrained site well with minimal disruption to Durham Sixth Form Centre and neighbours.

Mixed economy led by our internal team.

Client very satisfied with the outcome.



I have deliberately waited until today before replying to Paul's email as today is our first day with our new students. We have enrolled over 900 students into year 12 (highest ever).

I am so proud and delighted to see them walk into the new Digital Media Centre. It is amazing, and we are so so happy. Thank you so much.

I have never under estimated the amount of work (and push) that has been needed over the past 10 months.

A brilliant team, well done and again, thank you.

Ellen Beveridge Headteacher **Durham Sixth Form Centre**

