



# Haven Gateway Partnership business ebulletin

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## Welcome to the July edition of the Haven Gateway ebulletin

Yet again, it is time for the latest instalment of the Haven Gateway e-bulletin. Businesses in the sub-region have given positive feedback to our ongoing business survey and have identified key benefits of doing business within the Haven Gateway. They have also highlighted key challenges to growth and the Haven Gateway with its partners will be looking to address some of these. This is, however, little comfort for those who make up some of the over 15,000 people now registered as unemployed. The Haven Gateway will continue to work together with partners to help reduce the impact of the current economic situation.



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## Business Survey

Companies responding to a unique survey by the Haven Gateway Partnership highlighted a number of key advantages to doing business in the subregion – and also made their priorities clear in terms of where they would like to see future investments and improvements.

Respondents listed the Haven Gateway's geographic location, lower property prices and close proximity to London, a normally vibrant local economy and potential for expansion as some of the main business advantages of operating in the Haven Gateway.

[To read the full story click here >>>](#)

[To take part in the survey, please click here >>>](#)

## Dryport Project Tenders

The Haven Gateway as part of its Dryport Project, and in partnership with Babergh District Council, have issued two tenders requesting suitable consultants to carry out:

- A study into the origin/destination of Containerised Cargo
- A study into the development of a Containerised Cargo Carbon Calculator.

The deadline for submission is the 1st September 2009. [For further information please click here >>>](#)



## Supporting the subregion

At the AGM in July, Haven Gateway issued its State of the Subregion report providing a detailed summary of the key facts and figures within the subregion. In addition, a brochure highlighting our Green Infrastructure strategy was published. Both of these, along with our Annual Report for 2008/9 can be downloaded by [clicking here >>>](#)



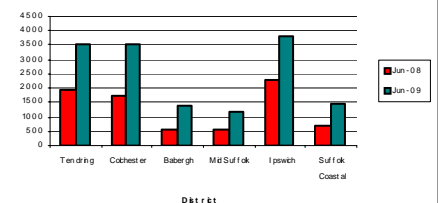
## EADT Business Awards

For the third year, the Haven Gateway is sponsoring the East Anglian Daily Times Business Awards International Trade category. This category is open to all businesses selling products or services overseas as well as companies involved in facilitating, supporting or promoting international trade. The winner and finalists receive considerable press coverage within the EADT, and this year it is even simpler to enter. You never know it could be your business !!!!

[Click here to go to the entry form >>>](#)

## Unemployment Figures

The Haven Gateway sub-region has over the last year seen an average rise of 92% in unemployment, but there are signs in the economy that the situation will start to improve, as can be seen through our ongoing business survey.



Note: all figures are based on whole districts and the percentage is based on a proportion of resident working age people. Information obtained via the NOMIS website.