

### **Business World User Guide**

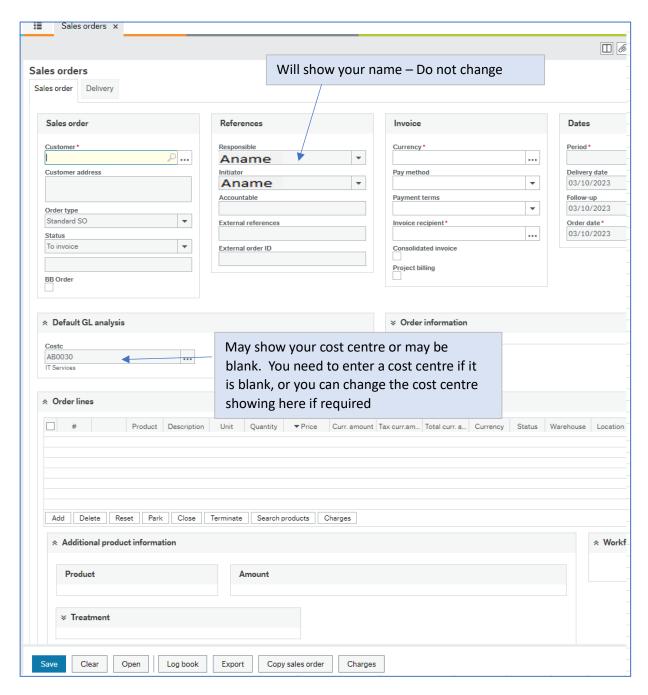
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Title	Sales Order Invoice and Credit Notes	
Summary	Sales order invoices  Sales orders are created as the first step to producing an invoice to send to a customer. This is required when SCC has provided goods and services to a customer where there is a charge. The sales order should confirm the sale of goods or services and details the sale's specifics, including the quantity, pricing, and details of goods or services provided An example of this is a customer who had work completed on a dropped curb and there is a charge for this service. SCC needs to raise a sales order to the customer so they can pay us for this service.  Once the sales order has been created, it can be printed and will be converted to a PDF sales invoice ready to send to the customer. It may automatically be emailed to the customer if we hold an email address for them.  Sales order credit notes  A sales order credit note can be required for several reasons and therefore a part or full credit can be raised if required.  It is important to note that a credit note is only required where the original sales order has been printed. The printing process creates the invoice which updates Accounts Receivable and the General Ledger. If the original sales order has not yet been printed it can be closed (as no invoice was ever created).  To create a sales order credit note, you will need the original sales order or invoice number to copy the sales order at the start of the process.	
	and will show you how to print your invoice or credit.  Prior reading: BW Getting Started guide.	
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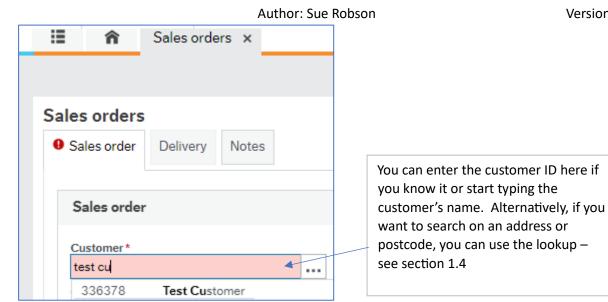
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## Author: Sue Robson 1. CREATING THE SALES ORDER

1.1. From the Business World menu select **Customers and sales**→**Sales orders.** The following window will be displayed:



1.2. Firstly, you will need to select the customer you wish to send the invoice to. Customers that have already been set up on Business World are available to select in the drop down.

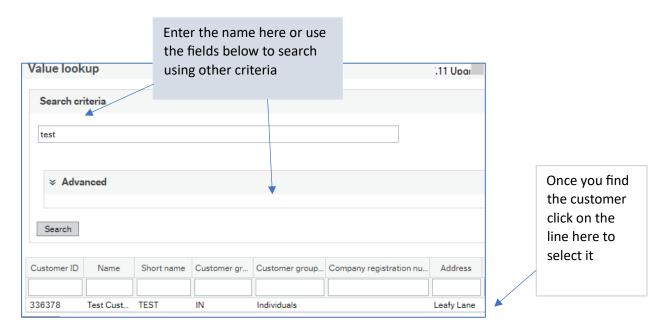


1.3. Once selected check the Customer address field to ensure that the name and address of the customer that is populated is the correct one for your sales order.

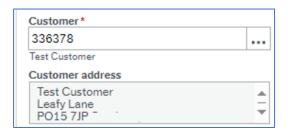


1.4. Alternatively, you can you use the lookup window where you can also search on address and postcode as well as the customer's name.



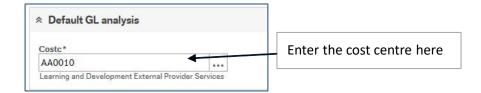


Once selected check the **Customer address** field to ensure that the name and address of the customer that is populated is the correct one for your sales order.



**Note:** If you have completed a thorough search on the name, address and postcode of your customer and you cannot find them on Business World, you can set up a new customer. You won't be able to raise your sales order until the new customer has been approved in the workflow so you will need to x out of the **Sales order** window and start again later. Approving customers can take up to 3 days. — See the user guide **New customer creation** which is available on the Business World page of the intranet.

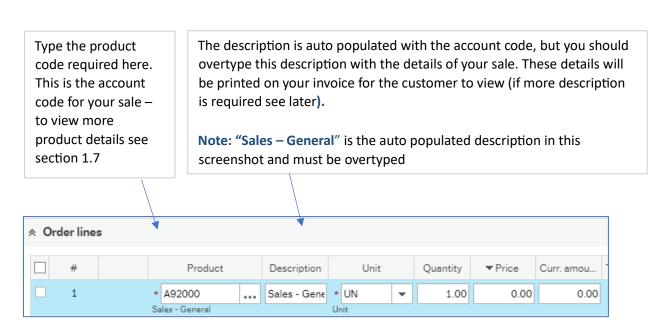
1.5. Now move down the window (use scroll bar if necessary) to check or update your cost centre.



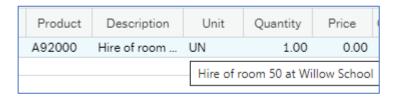
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1.6. Now move down the window again under the **Order lines** section which is where you will add the details of your sale.





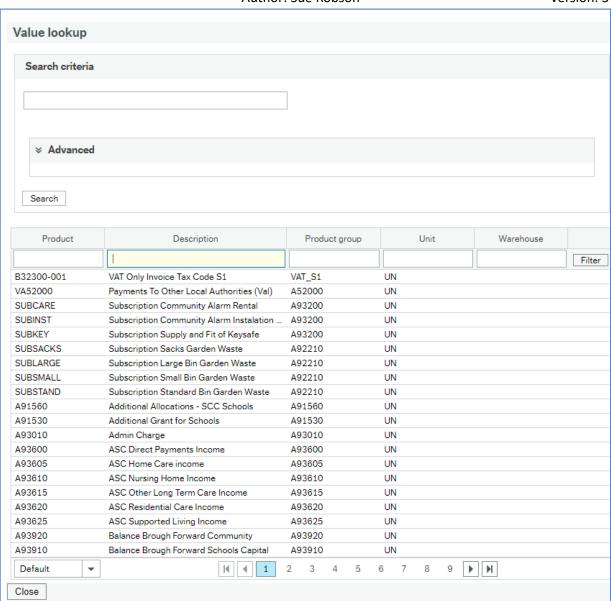
The following shows an example of **Description** after it has been entered.



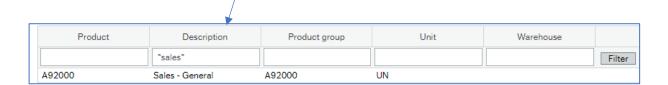
1.7. You can view more product codes by using the lookup.



This will open the lookup where you can see a list which will be over a few pages. You may wish to narrow down your list.



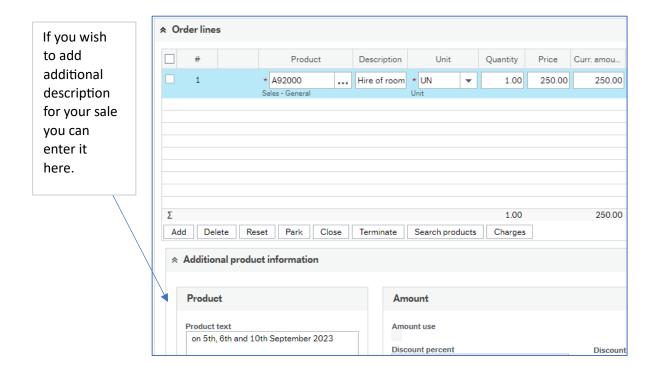
To narrow down the list you can enter some description using the wildcard (asterisk) and then click on the filter button. You should only choose a product that starts with prefix of A9.



1.8. Now enter the price for the sale without the VAT (if there is VAT)

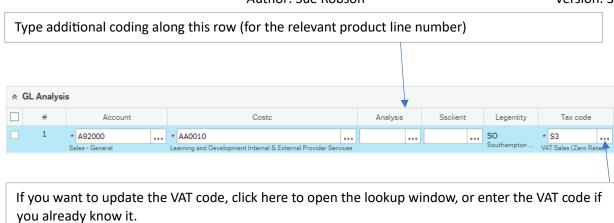


Note: the tax code will default in from the product. If it is not the correct tax code required see later in this guide.



- 1.9. If you want to add another invoice line for further goods or services provided you can add another product line. Click underneath row 1 or click the **Add** button and complete the details as above.
- 1.10. If additional coding is required, move down the page, and click on GL Analysis section.

Note: If it appears to be blank then scroll back up the page and click on line 1 of the order lines section (or whichever line is relevant for adding this additional coding or VAT amendment)

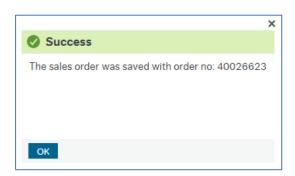


VAT codes for sales are listed below and are prefixed with S.

Tax code	VAT	Description
S1	20%	VAT Sales (Standard Rate NET)
S2	0	VAT Sales (Exempt)
S3	0	VAT Sales (Zero Rated)
S4	5	VAT Sales (Reduced Rate)
S5	0	Vat Sales Non Business

Important!: If you are unsure of which tax code to use then don't proceed to raise your sales order but contact the VAT team <a href="mailto:vat@southampton.gov.uk">vat@southampton.gov.uk</a> with details of your sale and they will advise you what code to use

1.11. Once your order is complete, click and a pop up will appear with the order number. Make a note of the number or copy it to your clipboard as you will need it for the printing process. Click OK

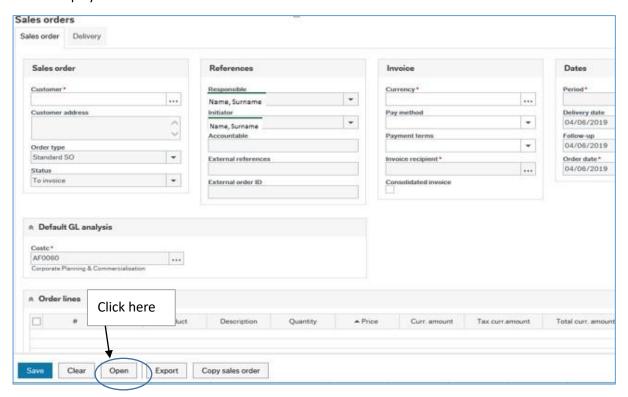


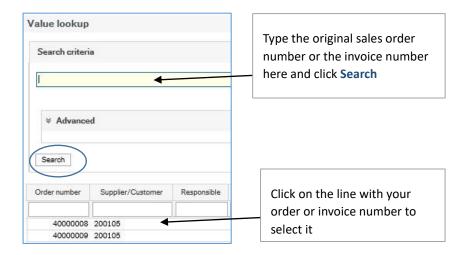
1.12. Your sales order will now need to be printed to create a PDF invoice to be sent to the customer. You will need to wait a few minutes for the sales order to update on the system prior to printing. For how to print see section 3.

#### 2. CREATING A SALES ORDER CREDIT NOTE

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2.1. If you need to raise a sales order credit note you will need to find the original sales order number or the sales invoice number that you wish to credit so you can copy it. Once you have this then from the Business World menu select **Customers and sales → Sales orders.** The following window will be displayed:



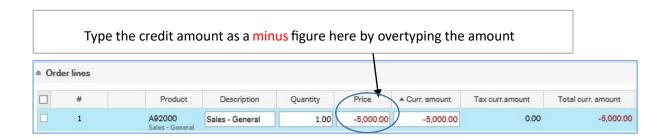


2.2. The original sales order will now be displayed on your screen. Click the **Copy sales order** button at the bottom of the window. You should see this message at the bottom right of the window if your copy was successful.

Sales order 40000001 has been copied.

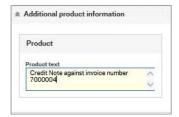
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2.3. In the Order lines section click on the heading of Price to enable the price field to become available.

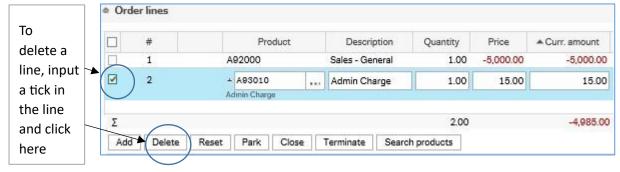


**Note**: If you have more than one line on the copy of the sales order you will need to either credit note these or delete them from this credit.

2.4. Scroll down the window and select the **Additional product information** section (for this line) and type "Credit Note against Invoice No." followed by the original invoice number. You should also type a reason the credit note is being issued.

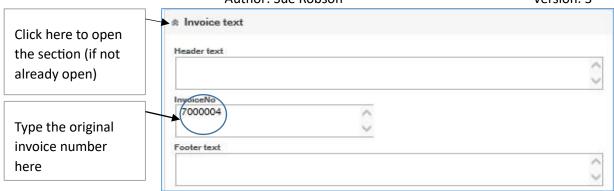


If there are some lines on the sales order that do not need to be credited, then these should be deleted.

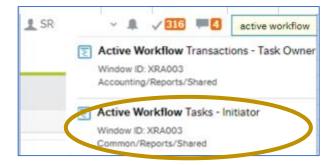


2.5. The credit note must then be matched to the invoice. To do this scroll to the top of the window and click on the **Delivery** tab. Then scroll to **Invoice text** section.

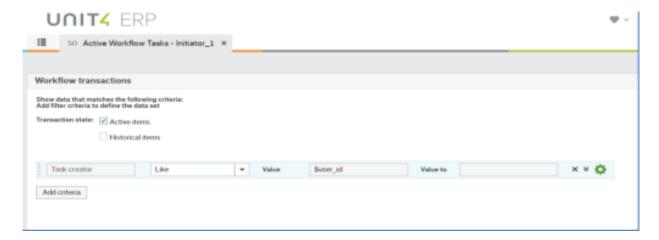
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- 2.6 Once the credit note is complete click Save
- 2.7. The credit note will now be routed to the cost centre authoriser in the workflow. Once is has been authorised it will be ready for printing or emailing to the customer.
  - You will need to wait for your authoriser to approve the credit note and you can check when it has been approved by viewing a report called Active Workflow Tasks - Initiator
- To find the report "Active Workflow Tasks Initiator" into the search bar (top right corner of the 2.8. menu screen) and click on the report that you want to view.



You will then be presented with a report screen like the one's shown below:



The report is set to look at your userID,, so you just need to click on the button (located bottom 2.9. left corner of the screen) to start the search. You will then be presented with the results screen

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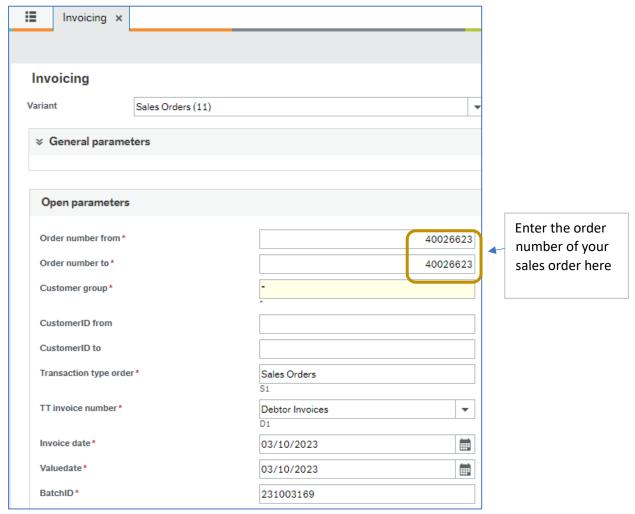
which will show you all the active tasks you have created. You should see your sales order in the list. If you cannot see it in the list, then it is likely to have been approved. You can check this by inputting a tick in the **Historical items** box at the top of the report. As soon as you can see that your sales order workflow status is "Finished" you can print it to create the Sales invoice credit to send to the customer. See section 3.

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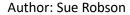
3.1 From the Business World menu select Customers and sales→Invoicing

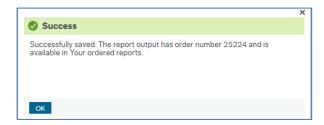
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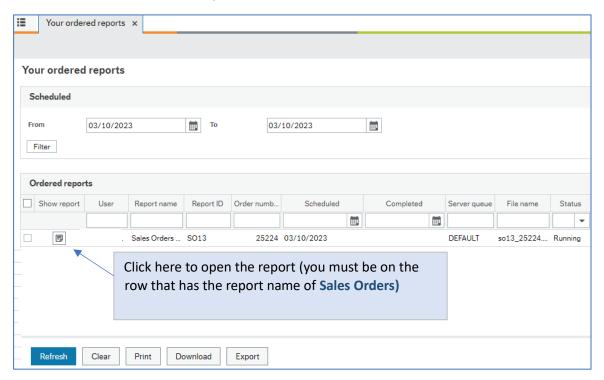


3.2 Click **Save** button in the bottom of the window. Your sales order(s) will be sent for printing/emailing and any sales order credit notes that have been approved will be sent for printing/emailing.





3.3 Next click on the **Your ordered reports** button shown at the bottom of the window and a screen like the one shown below will be displayed. If the report shows the status of "Running" then click the **Refresh** button until you see it shows as "Finished".



- 3.4 A PDF of your invoice or credit note will open like in the example below which you will need to send to the customer unless it has been automatically emailed to check if it has been automatically emailed see section 4
- 3.5 An example of an invoice is shown below:

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Civic Centre, Civic Centre Road, Southampton Hampshire, SO14 7LY VAT Registration Number: GB 189 5949 82

Test Customer Leafy Lane Portsmouth PO15 7JP

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www.southampton.gov.uk/payments

Payment Enquiries:

023 8083 3388

(Mon-Fri 8:30am-4pm)

E-mail: cpd.queries#southampton.gov.uk

Invoice Number: 81182164 SCC Order Number: 40020472 Invoice Date: 03/10/2023

Your Order/Ref:

Reference: Customer Id:

333799

Details of Goods And Services	VAT Code	Amount in £
Hire of room 50 at Willow School on 5th, 6th and 10th September 2023	S3	250.00

Total excl. VAT:

250.00 Total VAT: 0.00

Total Due £:

250.00

Code Rate Goods / Services VAT S3 0% 250.00 0.00

#### PAYMENT IS DUE ON RECEIPT OF INVOICE

#### **Invoice Payment Slip**

Invoice Number: Southampton City Council 81182164 Test Customer Total Due £: 250.00

#### To make your payment for this Invoice, please go to www.southampton.gov.uk/payments

Alternatively it can be paid by one of the following methods:

BY BANK Please use the following details -

Bank Sort Code: 30-00-00 TRANSFER

Bank Account No.: 00332526 Payment Reference: 81182164

If you are paying a number of invoices, please send a copy of your remittance advice to:

Remittance.advice@southampton.gov.uk

BY PHONE The numbers are shown at the top of this invoice, please note the Payment Enquiry line is only open during

office hours.

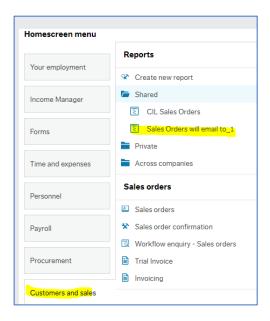
BY POST Detach and send this slip together with your cheque or postal order, made payable to

'Southampton City Council', to Customer Payment & Debt Team, Civic Centre, Civic Centre Road,

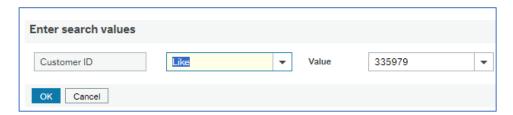
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#### 4. REPORT TO CHECK IF YOUR SALE ORDER WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY EMAILED

4.1 To check if you sales order will be automatically emailed to the customer you can run a report called **Sales Order Will Email to** found here;



4.2 Click on the **View result** button at the bottom of window and enter the customer ID for you invoice and click OK.

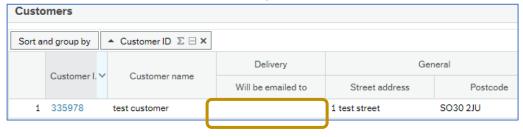


4.3 If there is an email address showing in the column "Will be emailed to" then your invoice has been emailed directly. If the email address is blank, then you will need to send your invoice PDF direct to the customer.

#### Invoice will be emailed directly to this email address



#### You will need to send this to the customer yourself



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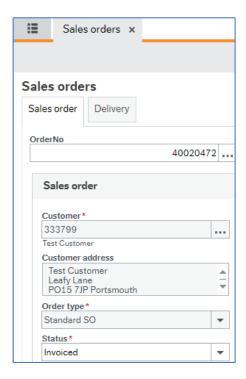
#### TROUBLESHOOTING

Q. Printing gave this error message:

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Invoice Date : 20231003 00:00:00
   Valuedate
                    : 20231003 00:00:00
   Batchid
                    : 231003132
   Sort
   Invoice Journal P: 0
   Treatment Code
   Address Attribute :
   Recalculate Payme : 0
   Mode Flag
                    : N
   Responsible
                    : 71
   Report Rows
   Start Gl07
                    : 1
   Budget Profile : 0
   Document Type
   Action Type
   Attribute
   Relation
   Relational Value : *
                    : 33
   Variant
   Query
   Start Agrtps
   Incl. Interest/fe : 0
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   Output Treatment :
   Xml Output Versio :
No sales orders found. Report stops.
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A. Go back to the **Sales order** window and click on the open button at the bottom of the screen to search for your sales order number and then select it. If it shows the status as "Invoiced" it has already been printed and you cannot print it again. If it still says "to invoice" it hasn't yet been printed so you can try again as you may have tried printing it too quickly after saving the sales order.

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A. If it is a credit note it may not have been printed as it is still in workflow with the authoriser. Check the **Active Workflow Transactions – Initiator** as shown in section 2.8

A. If the credit note shows in the **Active Workflow Transactions – Initiator** report with you as the Task owner, you may have omitted to include the original invoice number. You will need to go back to your tasks to add the invoice number. See section 2.5 for how to add the invoice number to your sales order.

#### FURTHER INFORMATION

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Business World inbox at BW.help@southampton.gov.uk.

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