

Key Milestones

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- **March 2009 – Paragon Interchange** is officially opened by HM The Queen
- **November 2008 – Freedom Quay** apartments completed and first residents move in
- **September 2008 - The Enterprise Centre** at the University of Hull is to be opened. The Centre provides vital support and 'pre-incubation' facilities for start-up businesses run by graduates and students at the University, as well as others interested in setting up their own business
- **August 2008 –Oncology and Haematology Development** at Castle Hill Hospital opens, part of a £250m capital investment programme by Hull & East Yorkshire NHS Trust. It will provide treatment and palliative care for patients with cancer and blood disorders. It will be a UK Centre of Excellence for the treatment and care of patients with cancer
- **July 2008 – first students of the Hull York Medical School graduate**
- **June 2008 – World Trade Centre Hull & Humber** opens its new waterfront home at One Humber Quays. As a hub for business, international trade and investment, both into and out of the UK. It connects into a global network of over 300 World Trade Centres in over 90 countries that serve 750,000 businesses
- **May 2008 - Announcement that Hull will host the Clipper global yacht race in 2009** which will see a fleet of international yachts starting and finishing in Hull Marina. This follows the Hull & Humber yacht finishing 2nd in its maiden voyage in the 2007-08 race
- **May 2008 – Hull City AFC** secure promotion to the Premier League
- **May 2008 – 4th Business Week** was an incredible success with 20 seminars, talks and workshops, 51 speakers, over 1,000 businesses involved and 6,000 delegates taking part in proceedings
- **March 2008 – Logistics Institute** at the University of Hull opens, the only dedicated facility of its kind in the North of England, the Institute brings together the University's strengths in business logistics and communications technologies
- **February 2008 – City Bondholder scheme** welcomes leading International healthcare company Seven Seas as 100th Member. As at August 2008 the scheme has over 130 members a significant growth since its establishment in 1996 with just a handful of members
- **January 2008 – Hulls History Centre** works officially begin. The £7m centre once complete will bring together the city archives, local studies library and the University of Hull's collections of archives in areas such as local history, politics, literature and human rights
- **December 2007 – Vue Cinema** opens the first digital cinema in Europe, in Princes Quay
- **December 2007 – Albemarle Music Centre** opens its doors, providing tuition to over 600 of Hull's young musicians
- **November 2007 – Express by Holiday Inn** opens as part of the St Stephen's development
- **September 2007 – St Stephen's** opened its doors and so far has provided 1,268 jobs and has continued to attract investment from leading names in fashion including Zara, La Senza, H & M and Jane Norman
- **September 2007 – Paragon Interchange** opened and delivers 24,000 people daily, directly to the doors of St Stephen's and has already scooped the 'Station of the Year' award at the prestigious HSBC Rail Business Awards 2008
- **September 2007 – Construction Centre of Excellence** at Hull College opens to its first intake of students
- **September 2007 – Hotel on East Bank of the River Hull** commences on site, marking the start of The Boom development
- **September 2007 – Freedom Quay** construction commences



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- **August 2007 – LIFT (Hull Citycare)** completes the 5th new health centre in the city, which heralds the milestone of £20m investment into Hull's healthcare facilities
- **August 2007 – 1st Global Food Festival** is hosted in Hull, with celebrity chef James Martin, and attracted over 100,000 extra visitors to the city centre
- **April 2007 – The Royal Bank of Scotland** move into it's new waterfront home at Humber Quays, Hull's new business district, followed by PricewaterhouseCoopers later in the year
- **March 2007 – Bi-centenary of the abolition of the UK slave trade** celebrated in Hull, spearheaded by Hull born William Wilberforce
- **October 2006 – Hull Kingston Rovers** get promotion to Super League
- **September 2006 – New £48m Cardiac Centre** at Castle Hill Hospital commences
- **September 2006 – Institute of Wound Care** opens, bringing together the Acute and Primary Care Trust, the University of Hull and Smith & Nephew, a global leader in wound management, to develop an internationally recognised centre of excellence for wound care treatment, research and education.
- **July 2006 - Wilberforce Institute (WISE)** is officially opened by President of Ghana
- **June 2006 – The arc building** promoting and fostering quality in architecture and public space is officially opened by Janet Street-Porter during Architecture Week
- **December 2005 – The University of Hull's Business School** moved into a new state of the art premises, a redevelopment costing £8.7 million. The building was formally opened by Sir Digby Jones
- **December 2005 – Freedom Centre**, the £3.7 million community facility in the heart of East Hull opens its doors to the public
- **September 2005 - Hull College Motor Vehicle Training Centre** opens and has since secured the first BMW national sponsorship deal for motorcycle apprenticeships
- **August 2005 – Hull FC** bring home the Powergen Challenge Cup
- **March 2005 – The Deep** opens its Twilight Zone extension
- **October 2004 – LIFT (Hull Citycare)** commence work on new Primary Care Centres, starting a £50m investment in health facilities
- **August 2004 – Hull is 4th city in the UK to get a Big Screen**
- **June 2004 – Hull College's Performing Arts** flagship development opens
- **June 2004 – Hull hosts 1st Yorkshire International Business Convention** and over the past few years has attracted speakers including, George Bush Senior, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Bob Geldof, Jacqueline Gold and Elle McPherson
- **April 2004 – BBC Regional Headquarters** opened its doors to the public. The centre was seen as a digital blueprint for the BBC's role out across the UK and is one of the most successful BBC Open Centre's in the country
- **November 2003 – Eye Hospital** at Hull Royal Infirmary opened and is now recognised as being among the best in the North
- **September 2003 – Hull York Medical School** welcomed its first intake of medical students
- **April 2003 – Hull & East Yorkshire Women and Children's Hospital** opens, providing a dedicated site offering more modern, flexible and personal service to its patients
- **December 2002 – Kingston Communications Stadium** opens and is home to current Premiership football team Hull City AFC and Super League team Hull FC. The stadium has also hosted concerts for Neil Diamond, REM, Elton John, The Who, Bon Jovi and Bryan Adams amongst others
- **April 2002 – Hull Citybuild**, Hull's Urban Regeneration Company receives government approval
- **March 2002 – The Deep**, the world's only submerium, opened its doors and so far has welcomed over 2 million visitors from the UK and abroad making it one of the most successful Millennium projects



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