### <u>Speech: Leading the charge for the environment</u>

Secretary of State Theresa Villiers spoke today at the Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust in London.

# News story: Waste businesses encouraged to sign up for 'Brexit ready' events

Defra to host a series of workshops to help waste businesses prepare for Brexit.

#### Bespoke Skills Service - 0C39S19P1645

Call to run a project focusing on supporting businesses in priority sectors, addressing skills gaps that challenge the growth ambitions of small and micro-businesses in particular.

## Enabling SME's to engage in Technical Education (OC19S19P1599 )

Call to run a project to enable SME's to undertake strategic workforce planning, which aims to embed technical education in recruitment and training practices.

#### <u>Consultation outcome: Biodiversity net</u> <u>gain: updating planning requirements</u>

Seeking views on how we can improve the planning system in England to protect the environment (biodiversity net gain) and build places to live and work.