

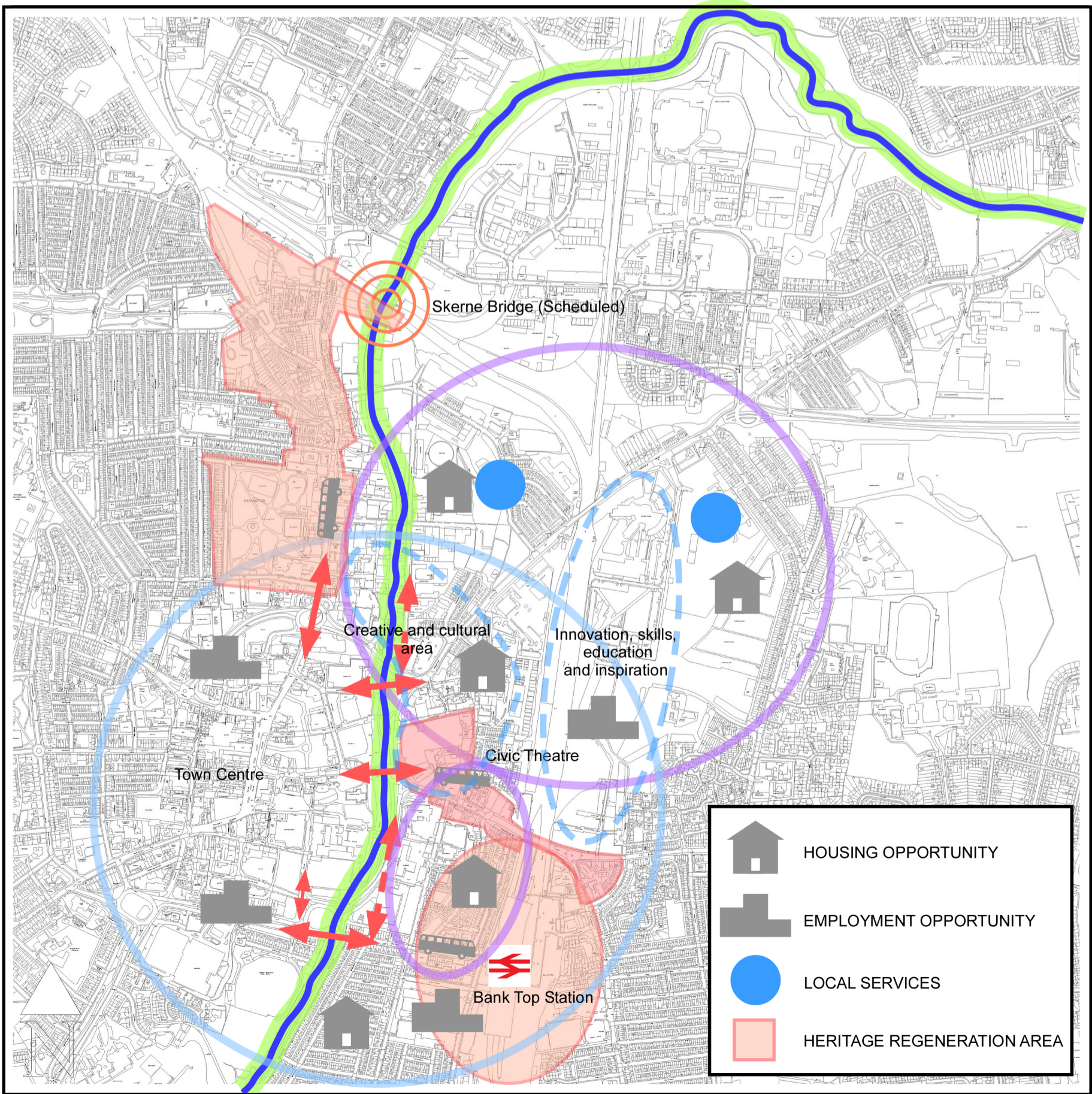
DARLINGTON CENTRAL GROWTH ZONE - DELIVERING THE VISION

The transformation of Darlington's central areas both physically and economically, building on current successful projects and benefitting from the natural and built assets in the area. Well connected to Darlington Town Centre, and Darlington's suburbs the Central Growth Zone will provide a great quality of life for new and existing residents and fertile conditions for economic growth.

KEY PROGRAMME OUTCOMES

MOVEMENT	GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE	HERITAGE AND DESIGN QUALITY	ECONOMIC GROWTH	HOUSING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduced severance caused by Ring Road for all modes Walking and cycling route along River Skerne Improved links to Town Centre from Bank Top Station Bus connectivity Connected streets Station improvements creating a regional gateway Parking that works for the town 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A restored River Skerne Environmentally improved River Skerne & tributaries Protected existing and the creation of new greenspaces Creative play Habitat creation, protection and mitigation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design SPD compliant new developments Decent homes standard existing housing in the area The showcasing and celebration of railway heritage Improved public realm in existing streets Improvements to heritage assets An enhanced cultural offer through industries, activities and the built environment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased employment opportunities in the area Accessible local shops and services in the area within 400m of every resident Protection of existing businesses Reduced worklessness and entrepreneurship Enhanced footfall in the Town Centre Leading the way in innovation, skills and education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mix of tenures throughout the area as a whole Investment in existing housing An appropriate mix of dwelling types New homes up to Code 3 standard Conversion of former industrial and commercial buildings to housing The reduction of fuel poverty in the area

ACTIONS TO DELIVER OVERLEAF



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CENTRAL PARK

Providing an investment and implementation framework to capture new employment opportunities and a high quality residential area. Delivering a local centre in line with the adopted Central Park Masterplan. The ongoing delivery of the phased build out of the residential component of the Central Park Masterplan. Established and emerging themes of education, inspiration, innovation and new futures

Key Stakeholders: DBC, Keepmoat, HCA, CPI, Business Central, local residents, Members, Teesside University

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BANK TOP MASTERPLAN - GATEWAY TO THE TEES VALLEY

Providing an investment and implementation framework to respond to the emerging opportunities presented by improvements to the rail infrastructure and capturing commercial opportunities leading to an enhanced passenger experience, economic growth, improved points of arrival in Darlington and a HS2 ready station.

Key Stakeholders: DBC, TVU, Network Rail, East Coast franchise holder, local residents and businesses, Members.

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CULTURAL INDUSTRIES ACTION PLAN

Capturing the opportunities around the recent HLF investment in the Civic Theatre, Theatre Hullabaloo's Arts Council Grant, Bank Top Masterplan and the recently completed TVBNI junction. Includes the adoption of Parkgate Conservation Area and a successor THI bid. Allied to the exploration of the potential for cultural and creative industries and activities to boost the economy. Focussed on the crescent to the east of the inner ring road from Parkgate to Northgate there is an opportunity for this to complement the Town Centre, Heritage and tourism offer of the town and be a catalyst for jobs and growth.

Key Stakeholders: DBC, development partners, land owners, businesses, local residents, Members.

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FEETHAMS

The management of the delivery of the remaining sites on Feethams and the integrated coordination of schemes under construction, in line with the adopted Feethams Planning and Development Brief.

Key Stakeholders: DBC, HCA, development partners, inward investors, landowners, local residents, Members.

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RIVER SKERNE CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS

The long term restoration of the River Skerne delivered through a number of funding mechanisms and development opportunities Starting with Feethams Riverside. This project takes in the reaches from Rockwell Park to South Park. Key deliverable elements include access, sustainable transport, habitat creation, flood management, play and public art.

Key Stakeholders: DBC, EA, HCA, development partners, inward investors, landowners, local residents, Members.

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TOWN CENTRE BUSINESS PLAN*

A suite of actions encompassing a wide range of ongoing projects, specific events, business support and communications to promote and support the Town Centre.

Key Stakeholders: DBC, traders, businesses, BID, media partners, Town Centre Board, Members.

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TOWN CENTRE FRINGE NORTH

A residential led investment and implementation plan allied to opportunities to convert former commercial and industrial buildings to create new homes alongside the early delivery of units on a range of sites. Includes the decommissioning of Valley Street Gas Holder, strategies to improve the local housing stock and inputs to the Local Plan allocations within the framework set by the TCF Masterplan.

Key Stakeholders: DBC, businesses, development partners, HCA, EA, Registered Providers, landowners, residents, Members

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HERITAGE CAMPUS

A Vision and Action Plan to define the future of railway heritage in Darlington. With an emphasis on economic growth and informed by the unique and distinctive assets around the Railway Museum all the way to the Town Centre the ambition is to put the town and assets on a global platform, boost the visitor economy and celebrate and cherish historic environment. Will provide the necessary infrastructure for the 2025 celebrations.

Key Stakeholders: DBC, businesses, development partners, Network Rail, neighboring Councils Creative Darlington, Members

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COMMUNICATIONS PLAN#

To raise awareness of the potential of the Central Growth Zone in the development industry, with prospective business investors, existing business and residents and the global community.

* Business as Usual Activity - No PID or products required.

Programme Level Activity - Forms part of programme documentation