

# 2 The Future of Grimsby Town Centre Grimsby Today

Grimsby, like many town centres is experiencing major changes and with this come some specific challenges. For example, changes to the way we shop will mean fewer physical shops will be needed in the future than today. We have also heard from previous public consultation that residents would like to see a wider range of activities in the town centre. If approved, the Towns Fund money would give us the chance to improve these aspects of Grimsby, and make the things that work well, even better.

We think that the water is a fantastic asset for the town, and we need to do more to open it up for people to use and enjoy, and make better use of our heritage buildings.

We know that anti-social behaviour in the town centre needs to be tackled. By bringing more uses to the town centre, looking at how to improve street lighting, and creating things for people to do in the evening, we think the Towns Fund could be used to help people to feel safer and more welcome.

## Existing considerations

**1** Significant improvements to public spaces already taking place in the town centre



**2** Ongoing investments at Frederick Ward Way and Garth Lane will improve the area around the waterfront



**3** New uses which bring more people to the area, increasing spending



**4** Funding to make improvements to key heritage assets, such as Victoria Mills and Corporation Bridge





**5** Routes into the town centre at key points need to be improved to attract more people into the area



**6** Improve routes through Freshney Place Shopping Centre to connect the St James area to the water



**7** Celebrate and make the most of Grimsby's unique heritage



**8** Need for places to spend leisure time, create more evening activities and increase variety of shops



**Completed projects**

- Town Hall Square Public Realm Improvements
- Bethlehem & Osborne Street Public Realm Works
- Cartergate Office Development

**Projects in delivery**

- Corporation Bridge Refurbishment
- West Haven Maltings / Youth Zone
- Frederick Ward Way/Garth Lane Public Realm Improvements
- St James Square Public Realm Works

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