

## The broad options for the future of Faversham Creek

Before producing a preferred draft plan for formal consultation, the Town Council wants to test local opinion on three distinct options for the future of the Creekside area. Landowners are also at this exhibition to put forward their ideas for their sites.

Local people have previously prepared a shared vision for the Creekside area:

***The Creek at the heart of Faversham. Faversham Creek is leading the regeneration of the town; a place where we can celebrate its rich history and attractive appearance; a place where we enjoy spending time, both on and off the water; a place where boats, residents and visitors want to be. A place where developments integrate the needs of people and nature. And where its distinctive character and identity is rooted in its traditional industries and enriched by new businesses.***

***Is this vision still appropriate, or should it be changed?***

**The Town Council believe all 3 options would be expected to:**

- Preserve or enhance the area's special archaeological, architectural and historic character



- Preserve or enhance landmark and other important buildings, waterside structures and details

- Preserve and create access to the waterside, including wharfage and moorings, and provide a creekside walk with high quality materials as specified in the streetscape strategy



- Retain existing green space and provide additional open space to connect Town Green with the bridge



- By use of its design, scale, form and theme of materials, be creekside in character

- The aim will be to attempt to achieve repair of the sluice gates and the opening of the bridge but the practicality of delivering this aim is under further investigation



The funding for achieving improved navigation, pedestrian links with the town, a creekside walk and enhancing green spaces and the area's special architectural and historic character (including streetscape) will be through development contributions or any other identifiable sources. The Borough Council will introduce a Community Infrastructure Levy on certain types of development from 2014 and this will collect funds for strategic infrastructure priorities in the borough and a reasonable proportion could be applied in this area.

***Do you think that all options should contain these requirements?***