

# Project Update Report

**Project ID no.:**  
**Town Centre Repurposing**

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Approved by: Project Sponsor TBA

**Period covered: up to end of April 2026**



### Key achievements – up to 30 April 2026

- Regeneration & Development Panel for High Street Rental Auctions (associated with the new Empty Properties Officer Post) March 2026
- Report to Cabinet for 23/04/26 - Agreed to designate at Cabinet.

### Project Metrics

Spend	
Delivery	
Risks	




### Overall status






### Key Milestones in the next period

- Agreement of next steps for designation of Southern High Street to follow Cabinet approval.
- Work to develop project further in association with the Empty Properties Officer
- Work with Historic England to develop place-based scheme (early discussions ongoing)

### Key risks/Key issues/Scope Changes

Spend – budget variance RAG status	
	5% overspend
	Less than 5% or any underspend
	Exactly on budget

Project milestone Delivery RAG status	
	8 weeks or over
	1 week – 7 weeks over
	1 week or under

Key Risks and Issues RAG status	
	Needs immediate attention
	Needs attention before next project review
	Can be managed



## Financial progress as of 30 April 2026

N/A

## Comms / Engagement update

- Public Consultation will be required to designate the Southern High Street Area should Cabinet endorse progressing the designation.

*Note: Any feedback loops (e.g. surveys of users) should be reported here under engagement*

## Key Decisions required at May meeting

- N/A



### Project timeline

- High Street Rental Auction Report to Cabinet – 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026 (agreed)
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- Designation of Southern High Street.
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