

This Months Town Centre News.

Hello,

My name is Jose Stewart and I am the 2025 Group Town Centre Ambassador for the Grimsby Town Centre.



This newsletter informs you of all town centre regeneration updates, events and good news stories.

So, take a moment, grab a coffee, and give our March newsletter a read.

Jose Stewart

Town Centre Ambassador



Why We Visit Our Town Centre: Insights from Our

Community.

The town centre serves as a crucial part of our daily lives, based on recent feedback from our local community.

It's clear that our visits are mostly for practical reasons.

Many of us head there for essential services like banking, shopping at **M&S Foodhall, Boots**, or checking out what's new in **Primark**.

But it's not just about buying what we need. It's also where we bump into friends and enjoy the familiar, friendly faces of shop staff.

Despite these practical visits, there's a shared feeling that our town centre could offer more. The Doncaster Wool Market was recently mentioned as a really great place to visit for a different experience.

Could we have a similar model in the Town Centre to Doncaster's Wool Market?

People are looking for places where they can **relax**, **have fun**, and enjoy time with others beyond just shopping.

There's a strong interest in seeing the town centre grow into a place where you can also experience art, enjoy green spaces, and attend cultural events, making every visit something to look forward to.

Looking ahead, it's clear we want our town centre to be more than just a place for errands and to take off the list.

We imagine it as a welcoming space that mirrors our community's needs and interests. A place where you can easily spend a few enjoyable hours, not just for shopping but also for leisure and catching up with the local community.

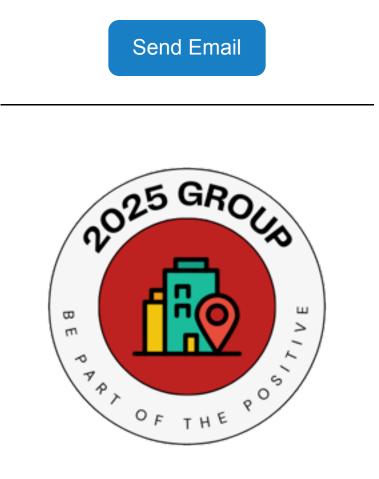
We're all part of shaping the future of our town centre.

Your thoughts and ideas are important as we think about how to make our town centre meet our community's needs better.

Together, we can make it a place where everyone finds something they enjoy, ensuring it remains a key part of our community.

If we don't use it, we will lose it.

Please feel free to share your thoughts by clicking on the link below.



Become a 2025 Group Member

The 2025 Group is a project set up by Grimsby Retailers in Partnership CIC.

The "2025 Group" the group is funded by the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. (*UKSPF*) and is a central pillar of the UK government's ambitious Levelling Up agenda.

The group embodies the ambitious vision laid out by North East Lincolnshire Council for our town's forthcoming regeneration transformation.

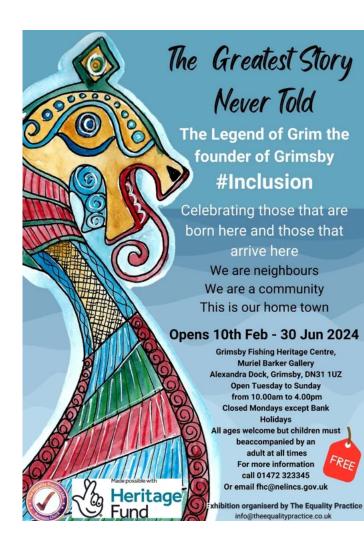
With the anticipated completion of most of the regeneration projects during 2026, this group is dedicated to being an active pillar of support and advocacy for the town centre's transformation.

We aim to champion and elevate every phase of the town's development journey.

We are looking for people from the town centre business community to become 2025 Group Town Centre Champions.

If you are interested in joining the 2025 Group and being "part of the positive" initiative just complete this <u>form</u> and I will be in touch to arrange and chat over a coffee.

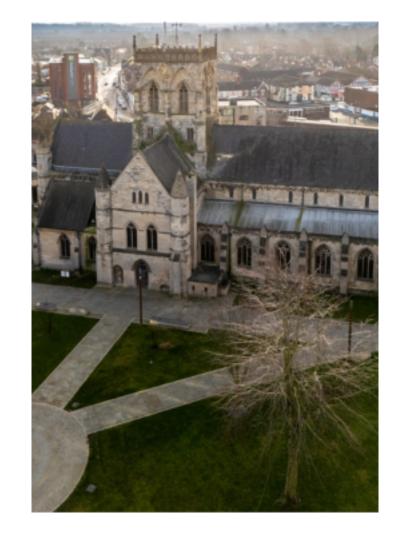
Town Centre Events



The Greatest Story Never Told – The Legend of Grim the founder of Grimsby

Opens Saturday 10 February until 30 June 2024 - Grimsby Fishing Heritage Centre.

Created by the Equality Practice, *The Greatest Story Never Told* is the celebration of Inclusion and reimagines the legend that has long been forgotten, that of Grim and the rescued boy, Prince Havelock. The legend of Grim and Havelock is the area's oldest story of immigration known locally, and it helps us understand the value of community, whether born here or travelled here, this is our town.



Grimsby 'Phil' - Brahms German Requiem & Stopford Missa Deus Nobiscum

Sat, 27 Apr 2024 19:30 - 22:00 -Grimsby Minster.

Two beautiful choral works complement each other - classical Brahms and refreshingly beautiful Stopford, a contemporary English composer.

Book <u>here</u>

No need to book in advance – simply drop by the Grimsby Fishing Heritage Centre whenever you're in town. While you're there, treat yourself to a nice coffee and a slice of cake.

Regeneration Projects Coming To The Town

In the upcoming years, Grimsby's town centre will undergo a transformative makeover.

Several exciting projects are set to materialise between now and into 2026.

- Changing Freshney Place into a mixed retail and leisure space with parkway cinemas to provide a 5-screen cinema, additional leisure activities, retail space, a new market hall, and food/beverage options.
- Refurbishment of Central Library, bringing the upper floors back into use.
- Creation of a new, green, public space at Riverhead Square, which has already been started.
- Improving cycle/pedestrian routes in the town centre.
- A new housing complex, providing high quality, energy efficient, town centre housing.
- NHS Diagnostic Centre.
- Horizon Youth Zone.
- Grimsby Projekt Renewable (a learning/leisure container installation)
- St James House which will become a business hub, and is being brought to you by the E-Factor Group.
- The old BHS building will become the new market hall and work has already started to remove the asbestos from the building.
- An Organisation called "Care" will be taking over the Royal Bank of Scotland building this building will become the Care Community Hub.

Many of the shop fronts on Victoria Street are going to receive a makeover, thanks to Dan Clarke and his team at Grimbarians and Charlotte and Becky at The Culture House .

To keep up to date on the projects, visit our website by clicking on the button below.

Visit Regeneration Projects

Town Centre Talkabouts

Join me for Our Monthly Business Community Meet-Up!

Are you a local business owner or involved in the town centre's vibrant business community?

We understand that running a business comes with its set of challenges, from brainstorming fresh ideas to addressing concerns that affect our collective success.

That's why I am inviting you to our next Monthly Business Community Drop-In Session.

It's a fantastic opportunity for you to share your insights, discuss any worries, and collaborate on innovative ideas to enhance our town centre.

Date: Thursday, 28th March Time: 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Location: Riverhead Coffee, Grimsby.

Whether you're brimming with ideas to share or seeking solutions to challenges, this session is the perfect platform to connect with like-minded individuals committed to making our town centre thrive.

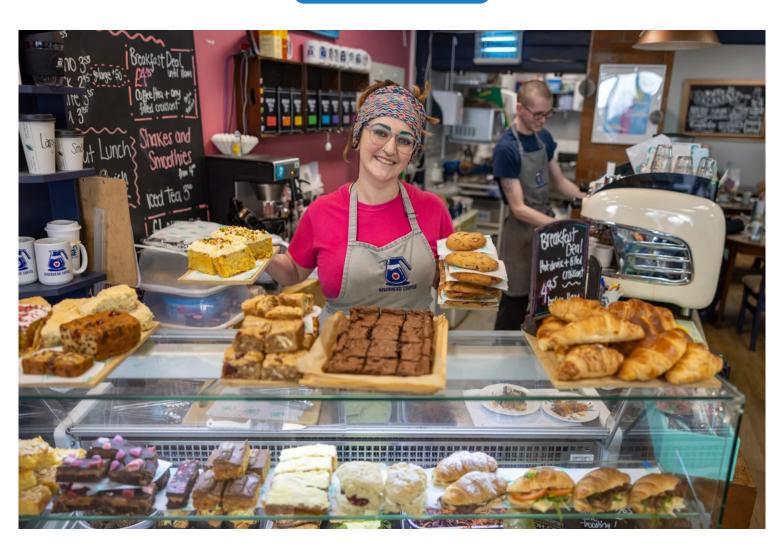
Refreshments will be provided, so come along, enjoy a coffee on us, and let's make our town centre the best it can be!

Looking forward to seeing you there!

You can also book a meeting with me for a time and date that works for you by

clicking on the button below.





Funding and Training Opportunities For Town Centre Businesses and Community Organisations.

Activation and

Community

Engagement

Did you know there is a

grant scheme available

in the town centre. This

exciting opportunity to

bring unused properties

"activate" the heart of

Options range from

installations to create

grants for renovations

dormant buildings into

spaces for alternative

There's also support for

schemes that resonate

with our local values.

If you're interested in

applying, there's more

InvestNEL website or

sent an <u>email</u> for more

information on the

information.

community-led

buzz and beautify

spaces, to capital

that can transform

uses.

grant serves as an

back to life and

our community.

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Fund

Business Boost

A new support programme is available. Business Boost is a fully funded business support programme designed to help those in Retail, Hospitality and Leisure achieve their business ambitions.

Your Business Boost is
open to anyone who
owns, or works for, a
business in the Retail,
Hospitality and Leisure
sectors in North East
Lincolnshire.

You'll need to have less than 5 full-time permanent employees – but you might have a workforce bigger that is made up of casual staff; or you might be a sole trader.

To find out more please contact <u>guy@cdiallianc</u> <u>e.co.uk</u> Advice and support available. Through years of experience, E-Factor know that every business is different, but they also know how useful it is to have an objective, confidential and experienced Advisor listen to what your business needs and then actually help you do something about it.

E-Factor

Support

If you are needing any support with your business then visit the E-Factor <u>website</u>

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