

TIMELINE: THE STORY SO FAR

FAVERSHAM CREEK NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Precursor to plan	Faversham Creek Consortium founded in response to perceived threat to creek from housing development		<p>Swale Local Plan adopted. Contains policy AAP2 stating that there should be no more housing and that all remaining sites to be used for business use</p> <p>Swale Council engages Urban Initiatives. Town teams including landowners, Creek Management Group, residents, Faversham Town Council, Swale Council and other interest groups formed</p>		<p>Urban Initiatives report presented by representative of Urban Initiatives to Swale Consortium AGM</p> <p>Swale Borough Council appoints Tony Fullwood to prepare draft Area Action Plan for Faversham Creek</p> <p>Public consultation on this includes critique prepared by Creek Management Group at Creek Consortium AGM and public feedback</p>	Localism Bill allows councils to prepare Neighbourhood Plans. Swale applies for Vanguard funding for Swale to help Faversham Town Council to lead on a plan for Faversham Creek.		
			Three workshops held to agree vision and objectives for a Creek Plan	Swale Council agrees to prepare a Development Plan Document for Faversham Creek for the area set out in the Area Action Plan.				
				Background documents prepared (including Strategic Housing Land Appraisal, Employment Land Review, Strategic Flood Risk Assessment –some of these were for the Core Strategy, but are relevant to the Plan). Will be available to view on Neighbourhood Plan website. See separate board for further information.				
Getting started					Swale BC begins preparation of a Development Plan Document	Faversham Creek Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group formed including three town councillors and the town council's architectural consultant, two Swale Councillors, two from Faversham Creek Consortium, a Swale Planner and a consultant		Designation of the area for the Creek Neighbourhood Plan
Identifying issues								<p>Develop a consultation and engagement strategy and start to action</p> <p>Developed with Steering Group to focus on remaining stages of Plan development</p> <p>Consultation and Engagement Programme published for information</p>
Visions and objectives			Vision and objectives written in public workshops by Urban Initiatives			<p>Use of local press to inform of change to Neighbourhood Plan with introduction of government's Front Runner initiative</p> <p>Vision and objectives adopted by Creek Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, adding one.</p>		Vision and objectives part of consultation at Site Options exhibition, May 2012
Developing options			Prepare a vision and issues report within Steering Group				<p>Public exhibition on Faversham Creek Streetscape Strategy held in Faversham Market Place.</p> <p>Following public consultation on Streetscape Strategy, this document is published and adopted by TC, SBC and Swale Joint Transport Board (inc Kent County Council)</p> <p>Site Options exhibition held. This offers opportunity to comment on whether sites should be used for housing, business use or a mix of uses. Also included consultation on the Vision and Objectives. Over 900 people attended and extensive feedback received.</p> <p>Consensus Building workshop held with presentations from KCC Highways, Environment Agency, SBC Planning Department. Workshop sessions involving landowners and representatives from the Faversham Creek Trust, Residents' Associations, Faversham Society, Faversham Town Council, Swale Borough Council and Faversham United Municipal Charities aim to create consensus on as many sites as possible.</p>	<p>Creek illustrations workshop, engaging all Steering Group and land owners, to illustrate possible options for sites based on consensus achieved in November 2012</p> <p>Undesignated Heritage Assets and Values published – available on website with photographs.</p> <p>Illustrations Exhibition (see text)</p> <p>Launch of Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire</p>
							Engage landowners in presenting their vision for developments	

Public consultations

