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The riverside area is being rejuvenated, with the restoration of both the cobbled high street and the landmark town pier – the oldest cast iron pier in the world which is now home to a restaurant and bar with a public viewing area commanding magnificent views. Both of these projects have attracted new trade and investment to this area of the town, while retaining its character.

The quarter's masterplan will offer 1,000 new jobs, a modern events area and new public space, 90,000 sq ft of new shops and a new hotel complex.

Regeneration is proceeding apace too in the town's transport quarter where plans have been drawn up offering potential for a transport hub as well as retail and residential accommodation.

Gravesham's countryside

Gravesham is home to some of the most beautiful countryside in the south of England, and considerable work is being undertaken to conserve these areas and restore other sites to their former glory. A huge swathe of countryside is being conserved in a series of schemes which will offer a rural playground

for the Kent Thameside part of the Thames Gateway project.

The Cobham Ashenbank Management Scheme (CAMS), a partnership led by Gravesham Borough Council and supported by the country's leading conservation organisations, is carrying out extensive work within the grounds of the historic Cobham Park.

The park contains woods of special scientific interest, gardens laid out by Humphrey Repton in the 18th century and the Darnley Mausoleum, a building of international architectural renown.

Gravesham living

Though house prices are currently relatively low in the borough, rising by 2.2 per cent in the 12 months until May 2006, estate agents anticipate a dramatic acceleration now that Ebbsfleet is open.

There is a broad range of properties in Gravesham, from the modern and traditional townhouses and flats in the town centre to the rural accommodation in the south and east of the borough.

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Gravesham's town pier



Gordon Gardens

