



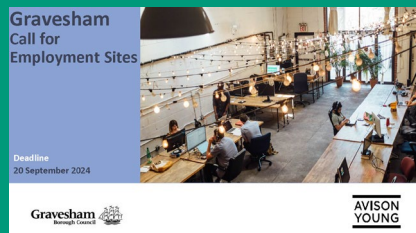
**ENERGISED ECONOMY**

**Local Jobs**

Support new and existing employers to grow

Attract emerging industries

Investment and better paid jobs



**“Call for Employment Sites” (part of Employment Land & Workspace Assessment)**

The aim is to build a pipeline of employment-generating site opportunities within the Borough, to deliver a step-change in the availability of new sites & flexible workspaces – for EMPLOYMENT

We would like to talk to:

Established businesses with a proposal to redevelop or repurpose a site or building | Landowners | The development community | New investors | Anyone with an idea & Google access!

Emerging sectors | Flexible office/business units | Light Industrial & ‘last mile’ logistics | Creative & Technical production (incl. food & drink) | Micro business | Maritime-related | Rural diversification

Forward Plan

- 6-week “Call for Employment Sites” – to c. mid-October ([gravesham.gov.uk/employment-sites](http://gravesham.gov.uk/employment-sites))
- Review & score prospective sites against standard deliverability tests – at no cost to site proposer
- Consider site allocations through Local Plan (and / or future planning applications, in dialogue)

Establish ongoing dialogue

Identify Quick Wins

Retain Local Employers

Re-size Local Economy



Have you got a potential site for job creation?



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Inclusive Growth

### St. George’s Flexible Workspace (aka ‘Tech Hub’)

This project will repurpose GBC-owned retail space to offer modern, affordable and flexible workspace for small businesses & third sector organisations in the heart of Gravesend.

Workspace to be a combination of membership-style co-working options, meeting rooms and flexible small offices. The ambition is for on-site business support, alongside skills and training opportunities.

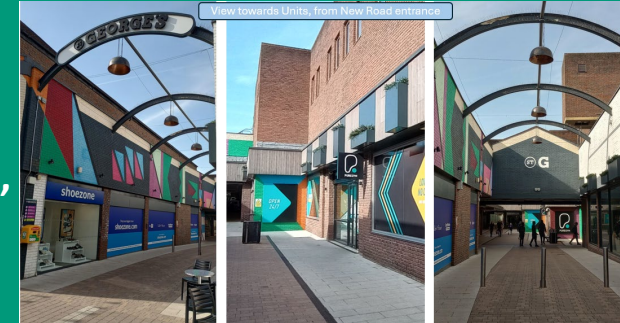
#### Tenant / Operator

Subject to the current lease negotiation, this is likely to be a partnership between an established operator and a successful local businesswoman.

Inclusive Approach – no sector restrictions, though Gravesham’s 400+ Creative & Digital sector businesses could be prominent, especially within the collaborative space.

#### Critical Path

Disburse grant monies by 31<sup>st</sup> December, to support refurbishment ahead of opening (Q2, 2025)



<b>Funding won</b>	SELEP Get Building Fund, The Gravesham bid was ranked number one in the pipeline of 15 shortlisted projects from across the SELEP area.
<b>Funding amount</b>	£370k (project includes GBC and operator match funding).

