

CRAWLEY - A TOWN FOR THE FUTURE

Crawley Borough Council's town motto is 'I grow and I rejoice' and the town is booming. In the town centre, the High Street has been transformed with a makeover that has attracted bars, clubs, pubs and restaurants.

The recently opened Pavilion retail development in Queens Square adds to the hugely popular County Mall. The Crawley Leisure Park, with restaurants, 15-screen cinema, private health club and bowling alley, attracts tens of thousands of customers each month.

And more growth is planned as plans are being worked up to regenerate a 25 acre site in the town centre. The £650 million scheme, And a significant step forward has been taken with the Crawley Borough Council's plans to develop a 25 acre site known as Town Centre North. The £700m scheme, which is being developed by Grosvenor Estates with English Partnerships, will double the amount of shops in the town centre and John Lewis is firm favourite to build a 225,000 sq foot department store at the heart of the scheme. It will also bring much needed housing and office space.

Elsewhere, the town already benefits from three new secondary schools, a multimillion pound investment in Central Sussex College and further growth at Gatwick Airport.

Plans are also being developed to bring a major university campus to the town.