



Taunton Garden Town Tim Burton and Kate Murdoch





Policy Background

- Taunton Town Centre Area Action Plan (2008)
- Taunton Deane Core Strategy (2012)
- Taunton Deane Site Allocations and Development Management Plan (2016)

Upper Tone Flood Scheme

(approx. 3 miles upstream)

River Tone

Staplegrove

Urban Extension

- 1,500 new homes
- Primary school
- Employment land

Taunton Town Centre

-  Railway Station
-  Firepool
-  Coal Orchard
-  Market House and area

Toneway

J.25

Monkton Heathfield

Urban Extension

- 4,500 new homes
- New employment site
- Community facilities (including primary & secondary school)

A358

Henlade
bypass

Comeytrove & Trull

Urban Extension

- 2,000 new homes,
- Employment land,
- Primary and secondary school
- and local centre.

New Strategic
Employment
Site

M5



Transport Infrastructure

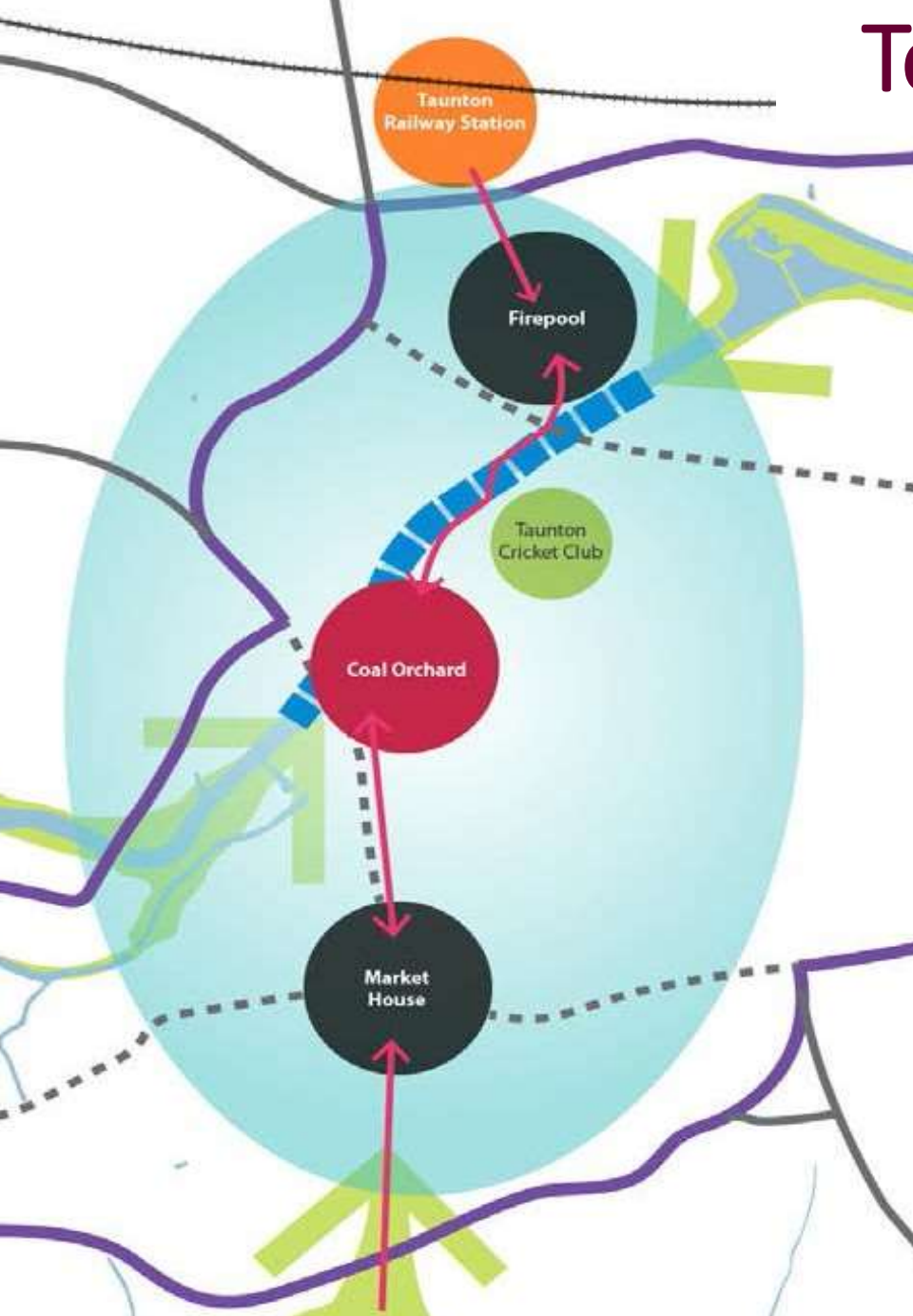
Major investments to further enhance Taunton as Somerset's best connected town:

- £9m Rail Station enhancement
- £15m major scheme to improve J25 of M5 (Taunton)
- New A303/A358 'SW Expressway'
- New local routes

Plus Superfast Broadband 'Connecting Devon & Somerset' Programme



Town Centre Regeneration



Investment to enhance an already wonderful Town



Investment to enhance an already wonderful Town



New public realm



New stand at The County Ground

Town Centre regeneration schemes on the way

Railway Station Enhancement

A new 'gateway'



Town Centre regeneration schemes on the way

Firepool

Taunton's primary mixed use development opportunity on the waterfront



Town Centre regeneration schemes on the way

Coal Orchard

A new place on the river



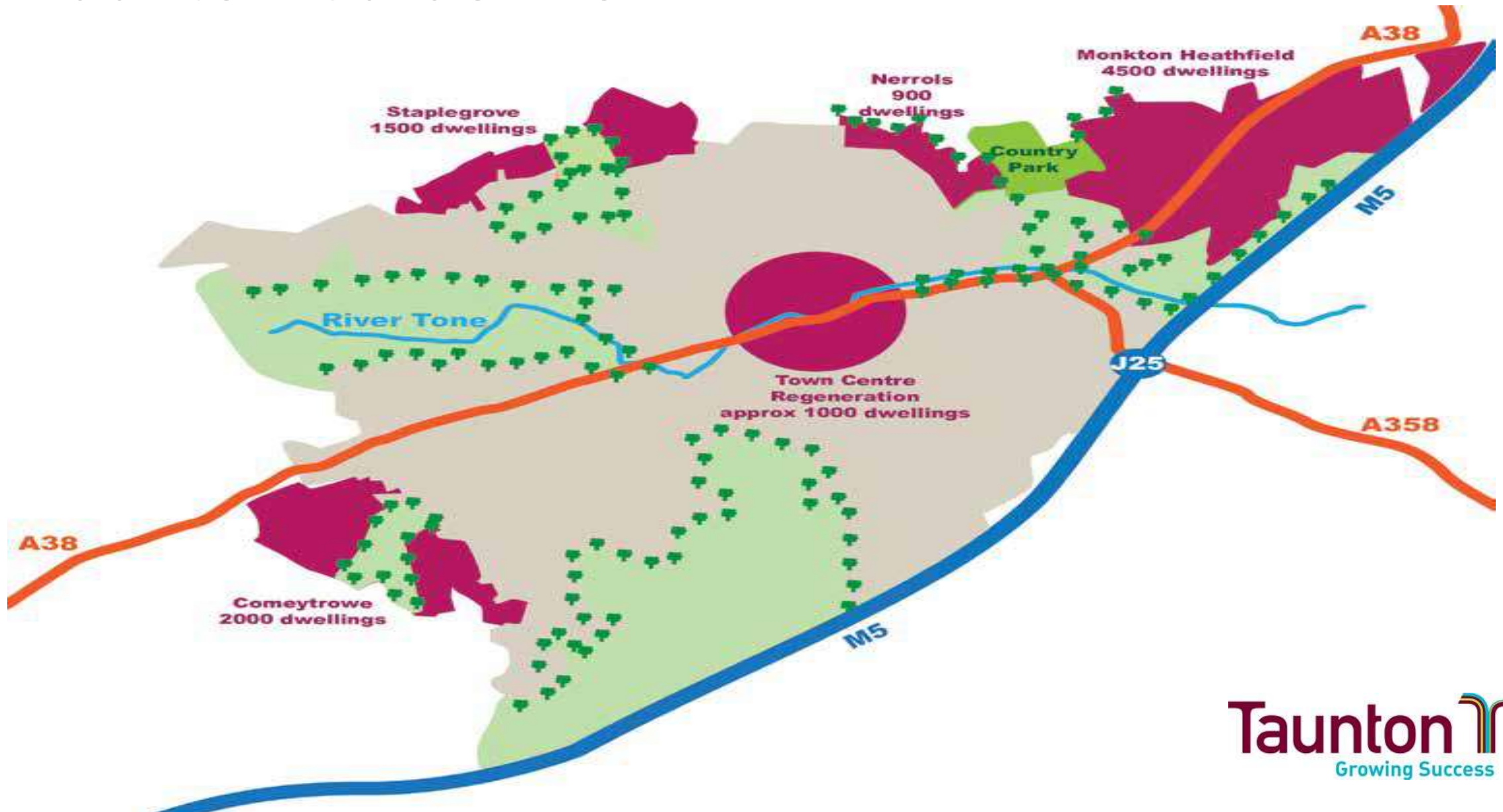
Strategic Employment Site



A new University for Somerset



Taunton Garden Town



What does Garden Town Status mean for Taunton?

- Designation reflects good work in setting long-term, sustainable strategy
- Strong emphasis on ensuring Plan strategic objectives are met
- Funding revenue rather than capital
- Focus around the implementation of projects
- Makes us better placed to bid for future funding streams

Green Infrastructure Strategy 2009



Taunton Deane
Green Infrastructure Strategy
Figure 4.1: Strategic GI Opportunities
Map

Key

Create:

- Opportunity to bridge barrier to movement
- Opportunity for cultural heritage interpretation
- Key gateway
- Greenspace creation/enhancement
- Strategic greenspace creation/enhancement
- Beaver reintroduction
- SuDS creation
- Strategic flood attenuation
- Blue link along waterway
- Green link
- Indicative route of circular path around Taunton
- Landscape setting to conserve
- Structural landscape mitigation alongside development
- Ecological setting to conserve (Hestercombe House SAC & riparian species)
- Vivary Community Orchard
- Rural edge landscape enhancement/restoration
- New green wedge opportunity areas
- Extend green wedge
- Floodplain woodland and wetland restoration zone
- Biodiversity and landscape enhancement corridor

Enhance:

- Views to conserve
- Strategic destination
- West Deane Way
- Scaple Fitzpines Heronpath Trail
- Blue link along waterway
- Green link
- Setting for protected landscape to conserve
- Green wedge
- Apple orchard
- Woodland block
- Existing green space
- Protected landscape (AONB)
- Registered parks and gardens
- Hestercombe House SAC
- Nature conservation designations (SSSI, LNR, NNR, CWS)
- Waterways

Progress to-date

- Commissioned GI Strategy update
 - Update baseline and identify more focused priorities
 - Work up detailed plans to ensure delivery of key projects
- Separate project on River Tone Corridor, a member Task and Finish Group has been established
- Commencing work on Plan Review

•Any questions?

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