

The Thames Gateway: Progress and Plans

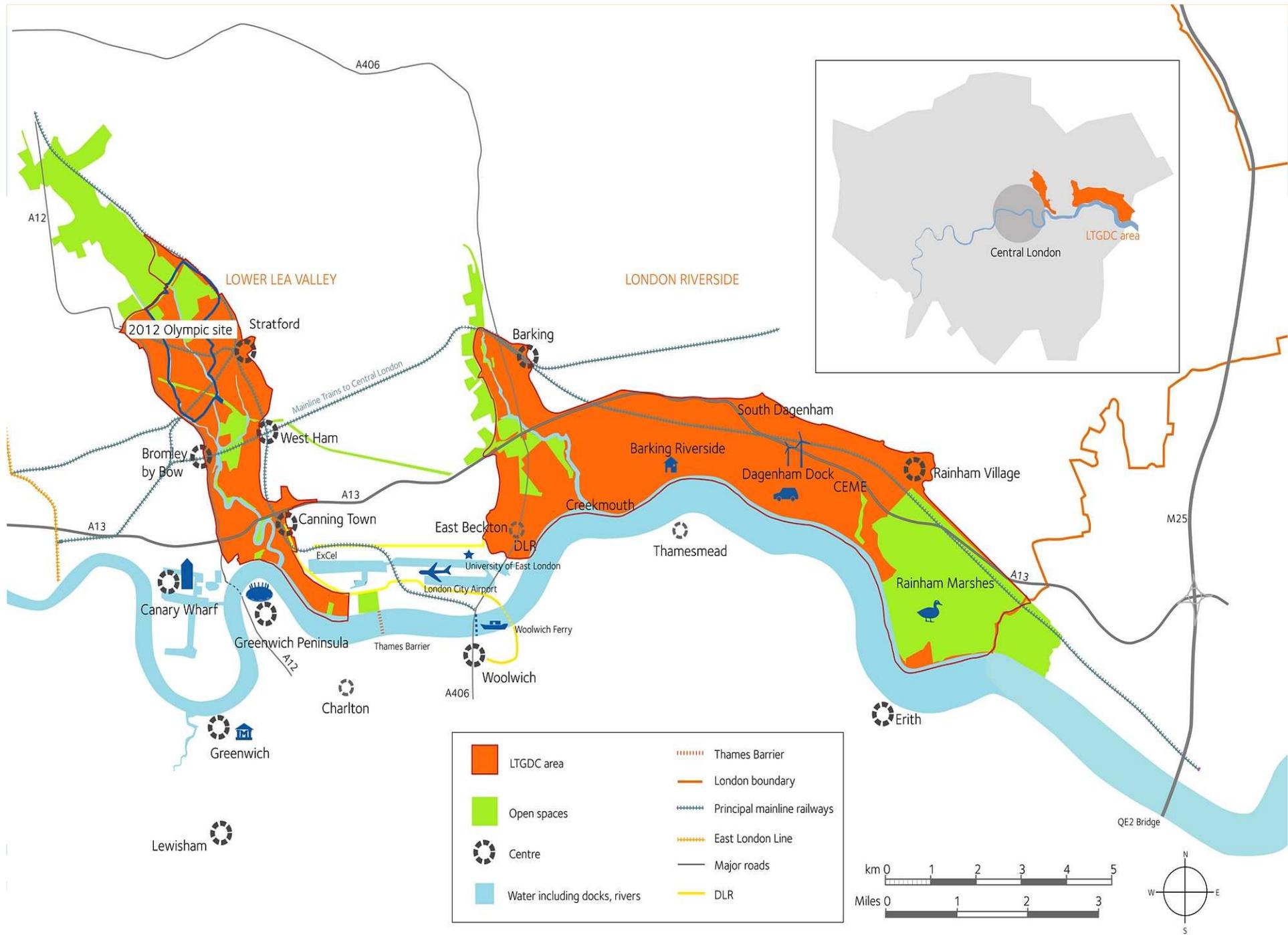
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Background

- Urban Development Corporation
- Local Government Planning & Land Act 1980
- Formed June 2004, with a 10 year life
- Funded by DCLG to deliver the Sustainable Communities Plan
- Board appointed by Secretary of State
- Decision-making body for major planning applications
- Development body with powers for land enabling
- Provide leadership and focus



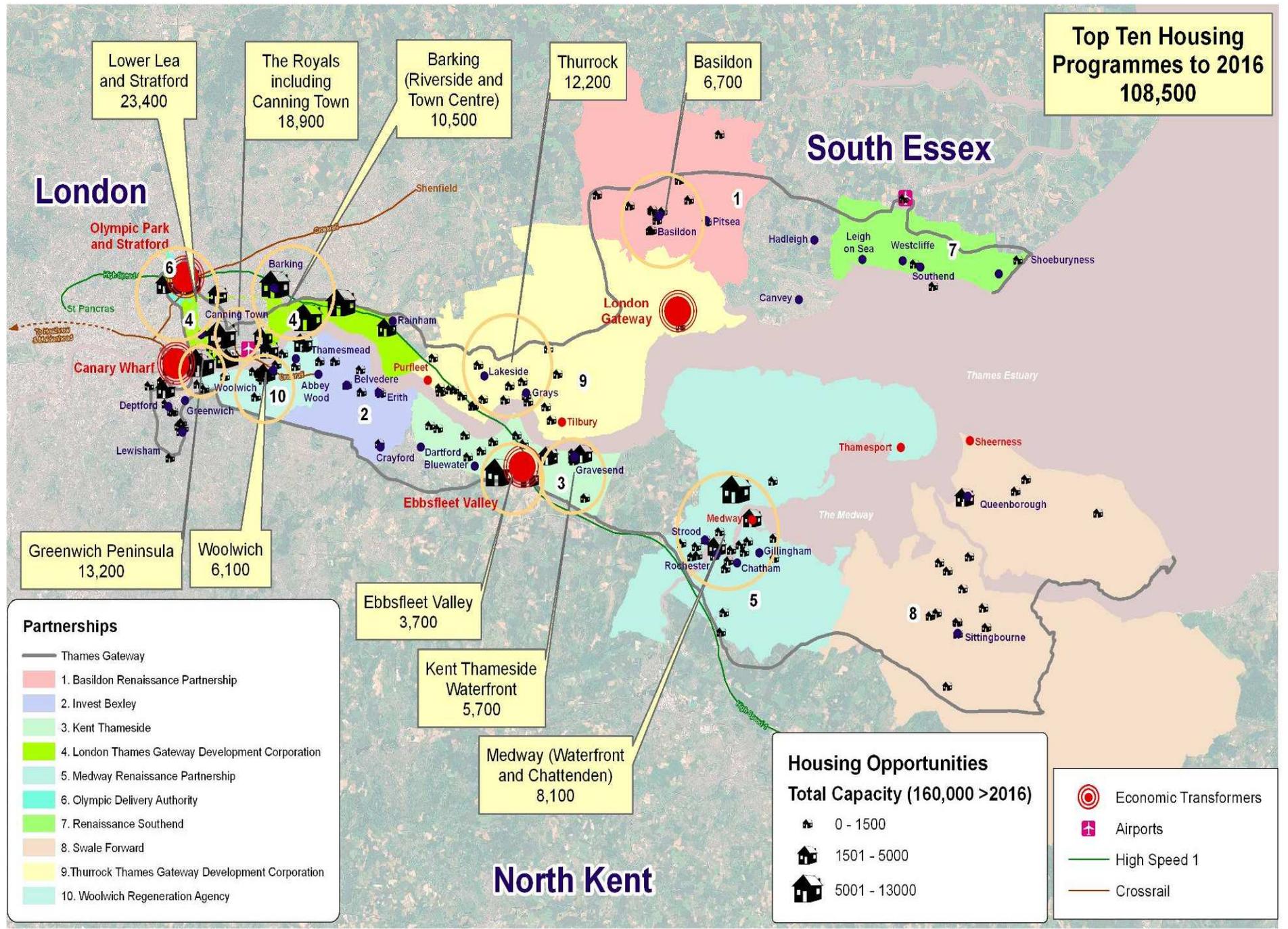
Delivery

- Create conditions to deliver 40,000 new homes & 28,000 new jobs by 2016

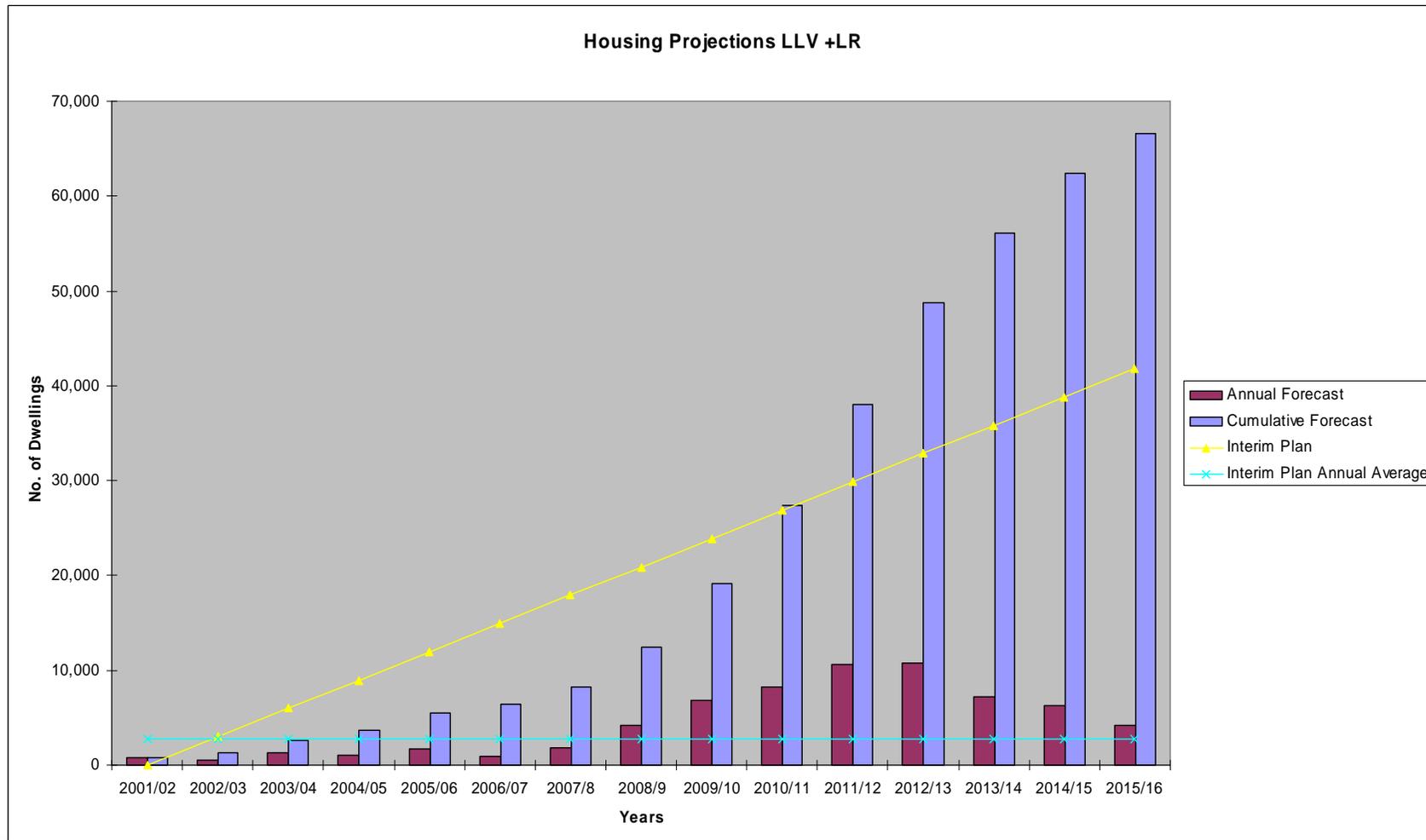
Aim to:

1. Target brown field sites
2. Bring change in areas of severe deprivation
3. Maximise opportunities presented by Olympics, Stratford City, CTRL, Canary Wharf
4. Accelerate economic growth for London and the UK
5. Use Planning Powers to create communities where people want to live work and play

Top Ten Housing Programmes to 2016
108,500



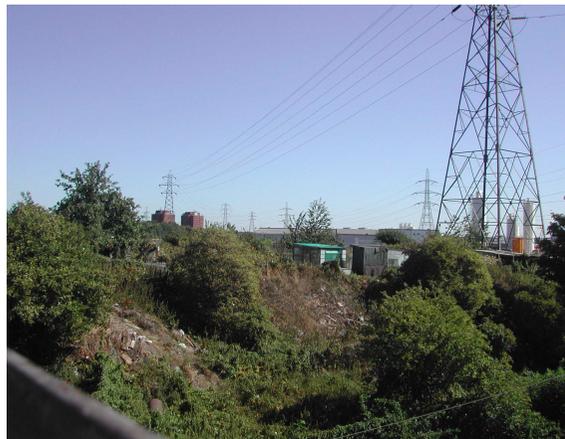
Capacity in the Lower Lea Valley and London Riverside



Lower Lea Valley - today



The Lea Valley - today



Lower Lea Valley 2025



BARKING RIVERSIDE





Rainham Marshes



LTGDC Priorities

Putting in place infrastructure for the houses and jobs to come in future years

1. Transport and Accessibility

- Public transport enhancements
- Local movement improvements

2. Environmental Improvements

- New and improved open spaces and public realm
- Increased levels of sustainability

3. Town and Neighbourhood Centres

- Land assembly and site preparation
- Provision of social infrastructure
- Developer procurement

Challenges & Opportunities

■ Challenges

- Degraded and contaminated industrial land
- Power lines, gas holders, sewage works
- Severance of waterways and rail lines
- Flood risk
- Poor social infrastructure
- Low skills and educational attainment
- Complicated local governance

■ Opportunities

- Quantity of brownfield land
- Extensive waterways
- Historic buildings
- Open space
- Economic drivers
- Good transport links

Planning

- Power to determine planning applications over thresholds; starting to see effects
- No powers to prepare statutory planning policies, but work with Mayor, GLA and LAs on vision and master planning
- Introduction of Planning Tariff

Key Projects



Lower Lea Valley

- **Canning Town**
 - Regeneration, new Town Centre, new homes and jobs
- **Olympic Arc**
 - New homes and jobs in Stratford Centre and Hackney Wick
- **Bromley-by-Bow**
 - New homes at Sugar House Lane, Imperial Street and Ailsa Street

London Riverside

- **Barking Town**
 - New homes in the Town Centre and at Barking Riverside
 - Continued development of Cultural Industries Quarter
- **South Dagenham**
 - New homes and jobs
 - Creation of the Sustainable Industrial Park
- **Rainham Village**
 - New homes, improved transport, public realm and education facilities

Partnerships

- HCA
- GLA/LDA
- Local Authorities

A fantastic place to be...

- Quality communities
- Excellent leisure and open spaces
- Carefully managed resources