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Talbot Gateway

The Talbot Gateway is the town's central business district which includes new offices, a Sainsbury's superstore, retail units and a new public transport interchange at Blackpool North Station.

A new road layout and modern pavements have helped to transform the once run-down area in the north of the town centre, creating a new vibrant place to work and do business. The latest phase of works involves construction of a new underpass, plus a four-star Holiday Inn hotel and Marco Pierre White restaurant.

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Better public transport and travel

More trams on the network and more frequent services. The extension to the tramway connects North Station to the promenade giving a direct link to shops, hotels and attractions.

The modern and electrified rail line extension, which launched on 12 June 2024, is cleaner, greener, quieter and more reliable, getting you to where you need to be to shop, work and enjoy Blackpool.

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Blackpool Museum – Showtown

Showtown Blackpool is the UK's first museum to feature permanent displays on circus, magic, variety, and ballroom dance, filled with 800+ objects from the town's extensive collections and those on loan from our national partners, including the Victoria and Albert Museum.

This £13m project, which opened on 15 March 2024, has been designed like no other museum, telling personal stories, highlighting how Blackpool has touched the lives of millions. Entry is free for Blackpool residents who pay council tax to Blackpool Council.

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New retail and leisure

Two key town centre regeneration building projects have opened recently, with a new IMAX Cinema and the regeneration of Abingdon Street Market into a thriving food hall,



while work to improve the town centre retail and leisure offer continues with new retailers at Houndshell Shopping Centre and across the town.

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