

## **PART 2 : PURPOSE**

### **Purpose of the Luton Forum**

1. The Luton Forum is the Local Strategic Partnership for the Borough of Luton ("the Borough").
2. The purpose of the Luton Forum is to bring together at a local level the different public sector agencies as well as private, business, community and voluntary sectors to agree a strategic vision and direction for Luton so that different initiatives and services support each other and work together.
3. The Luton Forum will seek to add value to existing activity.
4. As a partnership, the Luton Forum will negotiate, own, manage and be accountable for Luton's Local Area Agreement.
- 5.. The Luton Forum, will work in partnership at both strategic and grassroots level to deliver improvements in the Borough. The Luton Forum will place a strong emphasis on engaging communities and neighbourhoods, on
6. The Luton Forum will identify and evidence improvements needed, agree the Sustainable Community Strategy, and improve outcomes.
7. The Luton Forum will work towards the goal of enabling local people to influence decision-making.
8. The Luton Forum will enable business, the community and voluntary sectors to play a full and equal part in the work of the Luton Forum.
9. The Luton Forum will endeavour to ensure access to and equitable outcomes for all sections of the community in respect of all its projects

### **Purpose of the Local Public Service Board**

1. The Local Public Service Board will ensure delivery of key decisions of the Luton Forum and accountability to the Forum for its effective operation.
2. Within the wider framework of the Sustainable Community Strategy the Local Public Service Board to draw up, negotiate with Government and the Forum, and then deliver a set of localised targets linked to national and local priorities through Luton's Local Area Agreement.
3. The Local Public Service Board will bring together the key public sector decision-makers in Luton to deliver improved public services.
4. The Local Public Service Board will influence public expenditure in Luton and manage delegated/devolved budget streams through shared priorities and more efficient service procurement.

5. The Local Public Service Board will deliver, openly and transparently, the agreed goals and priorities for Luton set by the Forum, which identifies and articulates the needs and aspirations of local people, by reconciling competing interests and steering collective partnership capacity.
6. The Local Public Service Board will act as an agent for the transformational change to deliver inclusive, equitable and effective public services across Luton.

**Purpose of the Thematic Partnerships**

1. To enable the best possible outcomes through promoting coordination and joint planning and delivery of services within the Borough.
2. To maximise the likelihood that resources will be used effectively and efficiently.
3. To monitor the performance of relevant services in meeting agreed outcomes.
4. To ensure that the community is effectively engaged in the broader planning framework and strategic discussions.