



Our Changing Town Centre

August '26

Your monthly look at how our Town Centre Delivery Plan is taking shape

Lots of Beats and lots of Bites, too!

In the third of three free live music events this summer, Beats and Bites took over the Hat District on Saturday 15th.

Hundreds of people of all ages came out and enjoyed the sun and live music from the Praxis 'DJ-Live' experience and DJ Funky amongst others.

With amazing food from Spud Boss and The Great Northern keeping the drinks flowing, it was a fantastic day to be out in Luton Town Centre!



More free live music

Castlefest returns for another triumphant year. Get ready for grassroots music, loud crowds and unforgettable nights at The Castle on September 25/26. Tickets on sale via DICE and Ticketmaster.

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All had fun in the summer sun

Over 5,000 people have attended events as part of the council's summer programme.

As well as the live music detailed overleaf, six weeks of yoga, boxing fitness and activities for families, such as Taleshakers and Storytelling On The Steps, have made the town centre the place to be! Family activity sessions have also taken place with sports and arts and crafts to keep little hands busy in the school holidays.

Luton BID's annual parklet, set up on Market Hill, was activated with events including Party in the Parklet, and even a visit from a T-Rex!



Help for those who need it

A new multi-agency Management Intervention Team has launched to tackle the challenges around drug and alcohol use and antisocial behaviour in the town centre, and offer support to some of our most vulnerable people. We'll feature more on how this joined-up approach is aiming to make the town centre a safer and more welcoming place in our next issue.

And next month...

Luton Comic Con 2026 touches down in St George's Square on September 26 and 27. Head down to the free event from 11am to 6pm on both days. This year's theme is Heroes for Artists.



Support and advice on offer for Luton families

As well as fun and entertainment for children and families, there is also support and advice available in the town centre.

The Central Family Hub, based on the ground floor of Luton Central Library, offers services for families with children up to 19 (25 with SEND).

There is a range of group family sessions, training sessions, and services provided by partners. These include Flying Start, Health Visiting, Maternity, CAMHS, Infant Feeding Team, Citizens Advice and more.

If you are raising children, expecting a baby or thinking about starting a family, there are services available to support you.

Luton Best Start Family Hubs and partners work alongside local families and communities to give children the best start in life.

For more information, visit familyhubs.luton.gov.uk/hub-central

Want to know more? Search 'our changing town centre' online to find out what's new!

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