

TITLE: Greater Thetford Partnership Scope
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PURPOSE: To agree the revised purpose of the Greater Thetford Partnership

What is the output we are looking for?

- Growth and delivery of key sites re housing and employment
- Funding opportunities to ensure these can be delivered
- Support to existing communities to benefit from this growth
- Environment and public realm improvements, both traffic movements and river corridor
- Pride in the place for all
- A safe and more inviting town centre
- A greater understanding locally of what ,who, how and when delivery is to happen
- Oversee the delivery of external major funding bids if successful eg High Streets fund

Who do we need to work with to achieve the above?

No single organisation on its own can do the above. Strategic partners are those with cash/people/legal authority/democratic mandate to deliver. Engagement partners are those who live, work and have a vested interest in creating a better Greater Thetford. Any of the engagement partners can make representations to the Great Thetford Board as required.

Strategic Partner	Engagement partners
Norfolk county council	Local resident groups
Breckland council	Local businesses sub group of the Forum
Thetford Town Council	Voluntary organisation
Croxton Parish council	Youth groups
Kilverstone and Brettenham Parish Council	Keystone Partnership
Flagship	Schools, academies and FE colleges
Homes England	
Highways Agency	
Power and utilities companies	
Developers and land owners	
Local Enterprise partnership	

How do we do this?

Breckland Council acting as an enabler, delivering on its local plan objectives and its community leadership role for improved outcomes for local people, and will provide administrative support the Greater Thetford Partnership. The Leader of Breckland will chair the Partnership meetings.

The Partnership will develop the “vision” and a subsequent “delivery plan” for Greater Thetford, ensuring there the right resources are dedicated to co-ordinate and collaborate in its delivery. A dedicated partnership officer role will be funded and directed by the partnership.

The Greater Thetford Partnership includes county, district, town and parish councillors. Although it has no delegation of budgets nor decision making, its strength lies in acting as a “consultative board”, shaping direction and making recommendations to partner agencies. Any decisions that would need to be referred back to respective organisations is done so in spirit of collaboration and understanding. The members on the Greater Thetford Partnership should be briefed according to their relative roles, so a flow of information sharing and collaboration can happen.

A Greater Thetford Forum, will be convened every 6 months for public debate and questions. Invitation to this forum will be widespread across all engagement partners. This will be an interactive and involving process to ensure a wider understanding of the progress, connections and opportunities.