

WE ARE A PARTNERSHIP FOR GROWTH

LEP SECTOR GROUPS:

1. LEP Sector Groups are the LEP's primary recognised point of reference for chosen relevant business sectors, in the context of achieving economic growth and creating jobs. They are not part of the LEP governance structure, but they will provide specialist advice and intelligence on behalf of their sector.
2. LEP Sector Groups come together as communities of interests and as such are expected to be self-motivated and set their own general objectives, to be endorsed by the LEP Board.
3. Each Sector Group Chair will act as spokesperson for the group and will be treated by the LEP as representative of that sector. Sector Group views should be channelled through the Group Chair.
4. As required, and subject to a recommendation by the Business Nominations Committee Chair, LEP Sector Groups will report to the LEP Board to articulate issues and provide an update on their activities. However, they will not have the automatic right of a hearing, which will be at the discretion of the Board. Their views will be represented at the LEP Board by a nominated Business Board Member or Advisor.
5. Twice per year, all group Chairs will be invited to attend an event hosted by the LEP Chair and the Business Nominations Committee Chair, to share ideas, experiences and raise issues.
6. All groups are expected to participate in the annual LEP conference.
7. The remit and Chair of LEP Sector Groups will be endorsed by the LEP Board. For the sake of clarity such endorsement is also required for any changes of the Chair.
8. LEP Sector Groups are self-serviced. There is no budget to administer the groups (i.e. pay for rooms, refreshments, etc.). However, the LEP office will provide communications, liaison, co-ordination, information sharing and sign-posting in relation to LEP policy.