Luton Conference and Venue Guide 2012/2013

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An ideal place for business or pleasure

Luton is a bustling and lively place with a strong cosmopolitan feel. It’s a town with its own international airport and good road and rail links to the rest of the UK.

With a great choice of entertainment, accommodation, places to eat and drink and attractions Luton is the perfect place to host your event. Luton offers a selection of venues to cater for everyone’s budget and needs with first class facilities and service.

Travelling to Luton

With three mainline rail stations, two M1 junctions and an international airport, Luton’s transport links are excellent.

By bus and coach
Luton is well connected by coach to cities and airports throughout the UK, as well as destinations in mainland Europe. For travel around Luton there is a frequent range of bus services to and from the town centre.

National Bus Enquiries: 08712 002233
National Express: 08717 818181
Stagecoach: 01604 676060

By rail
Luton has three mainline railway stations: Luton, Leagrave and Luton Airport Parkway.

With trains departing every 15 minutes to St Pancras, it is now easier than ever to connect with the Eurostar and meet in Luton.

The First Capital Connect service links Luton directly with London St Pancras, Gatwick Airport and Brighton. Midland Mainline operates a service from Luton to Leicester, Derby, Nottingham and Sheffield.

Train information:
National Rail 08457 484950 or visit www.nationalrail.co.uk
Eurostar 08705 186186, outside the UK dial 00441 233617575 or visit www.eurostar.com

By air
London Luton Airport is the fastest growing airport in the country with passenger numbers nearing ten million. With over 90 destinations on offer including Europe, Africa and services within the UK, travel to Luton has never been so easy.

Contact London Luton Airport on 01582 405100 or visit www.london-luton.co.uk
Going out

Need to entertain your guests?
Why not try Luton’s entertainment with something for everyone?

Visit the Galaxy Centre leisure and entertainment complex based in the town centre offering a wide range of facilities including an 11 screen cinema, games station, Namco bowling centre, restaurants and The Whitehouse Lloyds No 1 bar.

Or visit one of Luton’s many restaurants serving a wide range of food to suit your tastes. Dishes from China, India, France, Thailand, Greece, Italy and traditional English cuisine are widely available at a range of prices.

But if you don’t want the entertainment to stop, why not visit one of Luton’s nightclubs with a wide range of music on offer?
Visitor Information Centre
We’ll help you find your way

Friendly and knowledgeable staff can provide details of events and attractions, travel information, ideas for days out and information about opening times and admission prices.

If you need somewhere to stay, the staff can book accommodation for your immediate requirements locally or in any other town with a Visitor/ Tourist Information Centre. An accommodation guide and information on local conference facilities is also available.

We also offer the following products:
- First Capital Connect Daysave tickets
- National Express tickets
- Ticketmaster tickets (events, concerts, theatre, sports)
- Day trips and coach holidays
- Luton maps and souvenirs

Call: 01582 40 15 79
Drop in: Visitor Information Centre
Luton Central Library, St George’s Square, Luton LU1 2NG
Email: tourist-information@lutonculture.com
Opening times
Monday: 11.00 - 17.00   Tuesday: Wednesday 09.00 - 17.00
Thursday: Friday 09.30 - 17.00   Saturday: 10.00 - 15.30   Sunday: 10.00 - 14.00

Places to visit

Wardown Museum
Discover displays, objects and old photographs about the history of Luton and its people. The museum is situated in a beautiful landscaped park with a boating lake and children’s play area. With a hat and lace display, travelling exhibitions and the Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire regimental gallery, this museum offers something different.

Tel: 01582 546722   www.wardownparkmuseum.com

Stockwood Discovery Centre
After a £6 million redevelopment, Stockwood Museum has been transformed into the Stockwood Discovery Centre. This must see attraction has a brand new visitor centre, children’s outdoor play area, café, extensive gardens and the Mossman Carriage Collection - the largest museum set of horse drawn vehicles in the UK. There are also displays of trades and rural crafts from within Bedfordshire prior to the industrial revolution.

Tel: 01582 54 86 00   www.stockwooddiscoverycentre.com
Places to visit

The Hat Factory
The Hat Factory is Luton’s multi-facility arts and media centre where visitors can enjoy comedy nights, drama, and live music of all kinds.
Tel: 01582 87 81 00  www.lutonculture.com

Woodside Animal Farm
There is so much to see and do. Visit the many animals including raccoons, monkeys, rabbits, pigs, reptiles and llamas. Why not feed some of the animals with the special treats on sale? The kids can happily wear themselves out too in the play and activity areas with climbing frames, mini tractors, crazy golf course, helter skelter, trampolines, an indoor heated play barn and more.
Tel: 01582 841044  www.woodsidefarm.co.uk

Luton Library Theatre
Based in Luton Central Library, this theatre offers a comprehensive programme of plays, films and events throughout the year. From Shakespeare to new locally written and developed plays, there is plenty on offer for all ages.
Tel: 01582 547474  www.lutonculture.com

The Mall
In the heart of Luton, The Mall offers 120 great shops to choose from including major stores such as Debenhams, Marks and Spencer, W H Smith, Next, Argos, Primark and many more high street names and unique speciality shops. After all that shopping, you can revive yourself in one of the many eateries.
Tel: 01582 412636  www.themall.co.uk

Barton Mill
The Olde Watermill shopping village was built around a 1,000 years old watermill and allows you to take a step back in time. The garden centre is set around the old pond and includes a Dickensian Village with over 15 different shops. You can entertain the children in the Pirates and Mermaid outdoor adventure play area or relax in the café.
Tel: 08458 72 05 07  www.oldewatermill.com
Icon Hotel

Icon is a boutique hotel in the town centre and within 5 minutes of The Mall shopping centre. The hotel has 60 bedrooms from classic to deluxe with uber-cool designs and decor. Cappellos restaurant offers an Italian menu with old favourite English dishes and the Piano Lounge is the perfect setting for a cream tea of evening cocktails.

Alternatively enjoy our terrace: weather permitting.

Our patrons enjoy free parking and fitness suite. The function/conference rooms have natural daylight and air conditioning.

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Address: Hitchin Road, Luton, Bedfordshire LU2 8LE  
Telephone number: 01582 48 90 69 / 48 90 81  
Fax number: 01582 48 26 89  
Email address: conference.centre@beds.ac.uk  
Website: www.putteridgebury.co.uk  

No. of parking spaces: 140  
Miles from Luton Central Train Station: 6  
Miles from Luton Airport Parkway Train Station: 6  
Miles from London Luton Airport: 6  
Number of conference rooms: 7  
Licensed for weddings: Yes  
Disabled facilities: Yes  
Disabled toilets: Yes  
Ramp/lift: Both  
Disabled access: Full  

Manor house excellently situated in picturesque parkland. Enjoys a delightful rural environment just six miles from M1, Luton Airport and Luton centre and ample free car parking.

Elegant rooms all of which have natural daylight which are enhanced with beautiful oak panelling and chandeliers.

From a meeting for a couple of people to a formal black tie dinner for 120 guests, we are the perfect venue for your event. Our dedicated in house team have the expertise to make you day a complete success.

We pride ourselves on our friendly yet professional service which means that our clients come back time and again.

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This impressive 140 bedroom hotel is situated just south of Luton. The hotel boasts a collection of outstanding function/conference suites, stylish lounge/bar, restaurant and a full leisure centre including a swimming pool. We also have over 250 free car parking spaces at the hotel.

All our function/conference rooms have natural daylight and air conditioning.

We have a selection of standard and executive rooms at the hotel, and can also accommodate family, group bookings and tour operators. We also have our Borders restaurant which offers an A la Carte menu and an excellent Sunday Carvery Lunch.
... is a first rate meeting and conference venue. Convenient, stylish, fully equipped... we have two centres in Luton. In both, the standard of accommodation and service will delight... and at a rate so reasonable it will astound. Whether it’s six or six hundred, formal or relaxed, we have the right space for you. Contact us now or check our website to see how we can make your meetings productive, profitable and pleasurable.

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www.venuecentral.co.uk
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Two Great Venues to Choose from

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Chapel Street

VENUE CENTRAL
Leagrave Road

Luxurious surroundings - Incredible food
*Free parking available
Special wedding packages now available

Weddings from 200 to 1000+ people
*Terms and conditions apply

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www.venuecentral.co.uk
**Hilton Garden Inn**

Contact name: Conference and Events Team  
Address: Butterfield, Hitchin Road, Luton, Bedfordshire LU2 8DD  
Telephone number: 01582 43 53 00  
Fax number: 01582 43 53 50  
Email address: sales.lutongardeninn@hilton.com  
Website: www.hiltongardeninn.co.uk/lutonnorth

- No. of parking spaces: **165**
- Miles from Luton Central Train Station: **2**
- Miles from Luton Airport Parkway Train Station: **3**
- Miles from London Luton Airport: **4**
- Number of conference rooms: **10**
- Licensed for weddings: **Yes**
- Disabled facilities: **Yes**
- Disabled toilets: **Yes**
- Ramp/lift: **Both**
- Disabled access: **Full**

At the Hilton Garden Inn Luton North you can choose from 10 flexible meeting rooms and 157 guest rooms. On arrival car parking is free of charge for residents and you’ll find everything you need to unwind. The hotel boasts complimentary wireless internet access from all bedrooms and each bedroom showcases a Garden Sleep System bed with adjustable dials on each side of the mattress, allowing you to customize the bed’s firmness for a perfect night’s sleep alongside comfortable air conditioning.

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The Hat Factory

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Address: 65-67 Bute Street, Luton, Bedfordshire LU1 2EY
Telephone number: 01582 547445
Fax number: 01582 547461
Email address: venues@lutonculture.com
Website: www.lutonculture.com

No. of parking spaces: 0
Miles from Luton Central Train Station: Less than ¼ of a mile
Miles from Luton Airport Parkway Train Station: 1
Miles from London Luton Airport: 1.5
Number of conference rooms: 6
Licensed for weddings: No
Disabled facilities: Yes
Disabled toilets: Yes
Ramp/lift: Both
Disabled access: Full

The Hat Factory has spaces to suit every need with various rooms to choose from ranging from intimate meeting spaces to a large open exhibition area. Comfortably accommodating from 2 to 100 people in a variety of flexible styles. Break out room requirements and other types of event can also be accommodated.

The Hat Factory is located a minute’s walk from Luton’s main line rail station, and a pay and display car park within central Luton.

Catering requirements are met by our superb cafe delivered direct to your room. Technical & presentation equipment plus free wifi are available on request.

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Address: London Road, Luton, Bedfordshire LU1 4LX
Telephone number: 01582 547445
Fax number: 01582 547461
Email address: venues@lutonculture.com
Website: www.lutonculture.com

No. of parking spaces: 150
Miles from Luton Central Train Station: 1.5
Miles from Luton Airport Parkway Train Station: 1
Miles from London Luton Airport: 2
Number of conference rooms: 3
Licensed for weddings: Application in process
Disabled facilities: Yes
Disabled toilets: Yes
Ramp/lift: Both
Disabled access: Full

Situated in beautiful Grade II listed grounds, Stockwood Discovery Centre is the perfect setting for events, meetings and celebrations. With plentiful free parking and easy access from the M1 this is an excellent location for East of England regional meetings.

Two adjoining flexible meeting rooms with natural daylight comfortably accommodates up to 100 people. Our onsite caterers are happy to serve refreshments and light snacks in your room but can also accommodate sit down meals and buffets.

With ground floor entry the venue is fully accessible. Team building activities and other types of event can also be accommodated.

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Fax number: 01582 547461
Email address: venues@lutonculture.com
Web address: www.lutonculture.com

No. of parking spaces: 0
Miles from Luton Central Train Station: 0.5
Miles from Luton Parkway Train Station: 1
Miles from London Luton Airport: 2
Number of conference rooms: 5
Licensed for weddings: No
Disabled facilities: Yes
Disabled toilets: Yes
Ramp/lift: Yes
Disabled access: Yes

Based in Luton town centre, Luton Central Library offers five light, airy, contemporary conference rooms. Accommodating from 8-100 people. This very adaptable and competitively priced venue is fully accessible and ideal for small and medium sized presentations.

Luton Central Library has excellent transport links, nearby parking is in The Mall with flexible opening times. The conference rooms are furnished ready for meetings and have catering, data projection and smart board facilities available.

The Luton Central Library Conference rooms can be combined with hire of Luton Library Theatre to accommodate larger conference events and presentations with break-out space.

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Business works in Luton

Low rents, skilled workforce, excellent transport links and some of Britain’s brightest future talent. Find out more at www.thinkluton.co.uk