

## New plans for Century Park, Luton, Airport

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New plans for Century Park to be submitted in the summer. The ongoing £1.5bn transformation of Luton is set to continue with plans to create a new key employment site on the south-eastern edge of the town at Century Park.

London Luton Airport Ltd (LLA), working in partnership with its shareholder Luton Council, has announced it is to submit a planning application in the summer for 70 acres of commercial development, facilitated by a new 1.6-mile access road.

The site was recently acquired by LLA, and has become part of the new London Luton Airport Enterprise Zone, supported by SEMLEP, which will deliver up to **7,200 new jobs** and inward investment to support economic growth across the sub-region.

The application will also include investment in improved facilities in the northern section of Wigmore Valley Park, to include a new play area, refurbished Wigmore Pavilion and a green corridor linking to a new area of public open space being provided to allow Century Park to be delivered. This provision is designed to replace open space within the southern section of Wigmore Valley Park's current footprint which is needed for the road and the job-creating business park.

Leader of Luton Council, **Cllr Hazel Simmons**, said: "It is fantastic to see Century Park coming forward as part of the London Luton Airport Enterprise Zone and the wider £1.5 billion Investment Framework for the town.

"Century Park will help attract much-needed new jobs and investment to our town and is a key part of the strategy aimed at securing a better future for residents of Luton and also the surrounding area."