



DORSET

Local Enterprise Partnership

**LEP Chair and Chief
Executive Assurance
Statement**

November 2017

The LEP Chair and Chief Executive should here provide a brief formal assurance statement on the status of governance and transparency. In particular, you should focus on any issues raised in Annex A. This statement should also be published on the LEP's website following conclusion of the Annual Conversation process (in April 2018). You should cover any Overview and Scrutiny function undertaken by the Accountable Body.

We welcome the Mary Ney review and strive for continued improvement. We understand that all of the recommendations have been accepted by government and we have already started work on implementing them. We have an action plan drafted, work has started on this and we will be taking this to the next Board meeting.

We have attended and presented at a number of overview and scrutiny meeting's at the request of our local partners. Local Cllrs are part of our governance structure. We have a strong relationship with our accountable body.

We endeavour to develop ever closer relationships with our MPS and business community. We aim to continue to work in partnership within Dorset and externally.

We have a comprehensive structure in place and a number of checks and balances at all stages of decision making and delivery.

Chair & Chief Executive Sign-off

Signed:



Name: Jim Stewart
Position: Chair
Date: 24-11-17

Signed:



Name: Lorna Carver
Position: Director
Date: 24-11-17