

PEOPLE, POWER, PASSION 2019 PROGRAMME

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15 th June	<p>Town Hall</p> <p>Touring to Marsh House and Hockwell Ring Community Centre (TBC)</p>	<p>Unemployment worsening leading to serious poverty and dissatisfaction with government</p>	<p>Launch event – spoken word and projections</p> <p>To launch People, Power, Passion, a launch event will take place on the Town Hall steps. Following speeches by council VIPs, the event is turned on its head when a group of local people take over and immerse the audience in their world.</p> <p>Developed and performed by people experiencing unemployment or low-paid employment, this immersive, participatory project will use spoken word and film to launch People Power Passion in true ‘Peace Riots’ style.</p>	<p><i>Developed in partnership with a group of unemployed or low-paid Lutonians, this immersive experience will draw the audience into the world of the revolt of 1919. Join local people in a takeover of the Town Hall. This is a launch event, but not as you know it.</i></p>

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July: part 1 16th – 20th July	Town Hall council chamber	The night of the riots	Theatre A community-devised theatre project that explores the themes of community voice and exclusion from decision-making. Developed in collaboration with a group of excluded Lutonians the project will be performed in the Luton council chamber.	<p><i>Exactly 100 years after the peace riots, join us for two spectacular events in and around the Luton Town Hall.</i></p> <p><i>A group of local residents take over the council chamber, giving a voice to those rarely heard and immersing the audience in a conversation about modern democracy and decision making.</i></p>
July: part 2 19th July	Outside of Town Hall	Riots continue and rioters dance and sing as Town Hall burns	Participatory music/dance event A celebration of the music and dance of the people that call Luton home, drawing together all of the musicians and dancers of Luton into a cohesive night time event that celebrates each of our cultures and communities.	<p><i>Exactly 100 years after the peace riots, join us for two spectacular events in and around the Luton Town Hall.</i></p> <p><i>Join us for a celebration of the music, dance, cultures and communities of Luton. Return to the very same spot where in 1919 as the town hall burned, pianos were stolen from a nearby store and the rioters danced in the street. Put on your dancing shoes and warm up your singing voice. This time there will be more than just pianos.</i></p>



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August	Outer ward TBC	The trials and convictions of the rioters	Promenade theatre A promenade theatre project exploring Luton's teenagers and young people and the justice system.	<i>In August, join local young people on a journey through their neighbourhood. See the world through their eyes, examining the justice system, the decisions they face, and the stories that matter to them.</i>
14 th September	Wardown Park	Children's Peace Party at Luton Hoo (postponed from July due to riots and rain)	Outdoor Arts A one-day children's festival in Wardown Park including circus, theatre and games and offer activities for children and their families.	<i>For one day in September, children will take over Wardown Park. The Children's Peace Party will put young people at the helm of a spectacular children's festival of circus, theatre and games. Expect traditional wartime games, but not as you know them.</i>
October	Town Hall	Rebuilding of Town Hall Moving toward a more democratic approach	Participatory live gaming A participatory game that responds to the idea of the Luton of the future. Developed through workshop activity with local residents, this project will encourage audiences to question what they would want to see for Luton in the future and how to achieve it.	<i>For the finale, everyone in Luton is encouraged to contribute their ideas for the future of Luton. In October, battle your fellow Lutonians in a quest for the best version of Luton. What really makes a perfect town?</i>