

**Transparency and mutual respect**

The relationship between partners is characterised by mutual respect and transparent communication

**Good governance**

An effective governance structure provides accountability for action and supports the partnership's success

**Mandate and leadership**

An authorising environment provides permission to work in partnership and leadership supports continued engagement in partnership action

**Mutual vision and purpose**

A clear, shared vision and purpose contributes to the commitment for collaborative action and helps to maintain focus and energy

**Co-benefits and collaborative advantage**

Working together delivers benefits sought by each partner and impact beyond what could be achieved by working in isolation

**Shared resources and support**

Partners contribute resources (financial, people, data, supplies or knowledge) relative to their means to facilitate joint ownership and shared responsibility

**Consideration of context**

Partnerships are aware of and actively respond to (sometimes changing) strategic imperatives, partners' needs and community needs