

## Report to networkfareham Board 9<sup>th</sup> March 2010

Thematic Partnership		
Economic Development Partnership		
Main Aims of the Partnership		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To implement Fareham's Sustainable Community Strategy by promoting or improving the economic development of the borough, setting out the longer term vision and key priorities, identifying delivery mechanisms, tracking progress and contributing to the review of the Strategy as required.</li> <li>To implement the local delivery of the priority outcomes for economic development in the Hampshire Local Area Agreement.</li> <li>To adopt and take ownership of the vision, goal, principles, aims, objectives, activities, indicators, baselines and targets related to economic development while keeping a lateral view of connected and cross-cutting issues.</li> <li>To encourage opportunities for better ways of working, joint working, delegation and joint or shared resources where appropriate.</li> <li>To monitor and review progress and periodically report to the networkfareham Board on performance.</li> </ul>		
Emerging Priorities		
How can you make a difference?		<b>Greater business engagement in the economic development process</b>
	1	Greater business input to skills needs. Analyse local education / skills provision with a view to greater business representation on schools & colleges Boards of Governors
	2	Business support - co-ordination of agencies with a view to holding a Fareham Enterprise Day
	3	Infrastructure – promote contributions to achieve the Swanwick Station to Segensworth cycleway
Links to Hampshire Local Area Agreement Priority Outcomes		
LAA Priority:	2	<p><b>Priority B:- Deliver first class support for businesses, promote skills and workforce development and address barriers to unemployment.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A more enterprising economy supported by first class support to business.</li> <li>A stronger economy in rural areas.</li> <li>Improved skills.</li> </ul> <p><b>Flagship Initiative 4:-</b> Reduction in economic inactivity and unemployment through increasing the participation of groups who are under-represented in the labour market</p>
Progress since December 2009		
<p>The objective of securing greater business engagement of business with the economic development process in Fareham continues to provide the focus for the work of the partnership.</p> <p>The high number of apologies prompted a last minute postponement of the meeting. A new date will be arranged shortly, exploring different days of the week and times of day in an attempt to move away from the established pattern of Friday afternoons.</p> <p>Nevertheless, the presentation from Enterprise First (EF) was given to those in attendance and highlighted the scope for EF to work more closely with Fareham College with a view to providing business start up advice as part of a range of vocational courses. Enterprise First Chief Executive John Mitchell invited to join the Partnership</p> <p>The Council's agreement to sign the Federation of Small Business (FSB) Small Business Engagement Accord provides the partnership with an opportunity to facilitate quarterly engagement meetings with business leaders by expanding the role of the ED Partnership. Achieving an enhanced role for the partnership within revised terms of reference will be the focus of the reconvened meeting.</p>		

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Membership			
Organisation		Representative	
Fareham College		Carl Groves	
Federation of Small Business		Chris Ward	
Chamber of Commerce - Portsmouth & SE Hants		Maureen Frost	
Fareham Town Centre Management		Margaret Toms (S&F Chamber)	
Chamber of Commerce - Soton & Fareham		Russell Mogridge / Kristine Salomon-Olsen	
Learning & Skills Council (LSC)		Now HCC	
Elite Engineering Ltd		John Pendry	
National Air Traffic Services		Tony Bradley (no attendance)	
First Bus		Matt Kitchin / Dervla McHugh (no attendance)	
Business Link		Jonathan Morris (Sub Stephen Dixon)	
Portsmouth Housing Association (PHA)		Hazel Warwick	
Segensworth Business Forum		Martin O'Rourke	
Enterprise First		John Mitchell	
Meetings Held and Arranged			
<b>Date</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> February 2009	<b>Date:</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> May 2009
<b>Date</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> September 2009	<b>Date</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> November 2009
<b>Date</b>	26 <sup>th</sup> February 2010	<b>Date</b>	Tbc March 2010
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