



# West of England Partnership

**Bath & North East  
Somerset Council**



**North  
Somerset  
COUNCIL**

**South Gloucestershire  
Council**

A meeting of the  
**West of England Partnership Board**

will be held on

**Date:** Thursday 14 January 2010  
**Time:** 10am  
**Place:** Fry Club, Keynsham, BS31 2AU

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**Distribution**  
Members of the Board

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## **Members of the West of England Partnership Board**

### **Bath & North East Somerset Council**

Cllr Francine Haeberling  
Cllr Paul Crossley  
Cllr John Bull

### **Bristol City Council**

Cllr Barbara Janke  
Cllr Richard Eddy  
Cllr Helen Holland

### **North Somerset Council**

Cllr Nigel Ashton  
Cllr Elfan Ap Rees  
Cllr Nan Kirsan

### **South Gloucestershire Council**

Cllr John Calway  
Cllr Ruth Davis  
Cllr Roger Hutchinson

### **Social, Economic & Environmental Partners:**

Steve Grainger, Avon Biodiversity Partnership  
John Savage, Executive Chairman, Business West  
Rachel Robinson, Bristol and West of England ChangeUp Consortia  
Sonia Mills, Chief Executive, North Bristol NHS Trust  
Ian Ducat, South West Trade Union Council  
Prof. David Clarke, University of Bristol  
Stephen Harrison, Price Waterhouse Cooper, Chair Employment & Skills Board

### **Observers:**

Peter Brown, South West Councils  
Hilary Neal, Government Office for the South West  
Ian Knight, South West Regional Development Agency  
David Warburton, Homes and Communities Agency

### **Neighbouring County Councils:**

David Halkyard, Gloucestershire County Council  
Paul Hickson, Group Manager - Economy & Europe, Somerset Council  
Georgina Clampitt-Dix, Head of Spatial Planning, Wiltshire Council



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### Agenda

1. **Apologies for absence**
2. **Declarations of Interest**
3. **Member and Public Forum\***
  - i) Petitions
  - ii) Statements
  - iii) Questions
4. **Minutes of meeting held on 03 December 2009 (attached)**
5. **Matters arising from the minutes (see attached)**
6. **Resignation of Sonia Mills, Chief Executive, North Bristol NHS Trust and Social, Economic and Environmental Partner**
7. **Single Conversation: Delivery & Infrastructure Investment Plan (attached)**

To seek endorsement of progress to date and the next steps to prepare the Delivery & Infrastructure Investment Plan
8. **Skills & Competitiveness Board: Acquisition of powers to set priorities and direction for delivery of adult (post 19) skills (attached)**

To seek endorsement of action to secure agreement with the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills for the recognition of the Employment and Skills Board as the local employer-led body with the strategy setting powers available in the 2007 Further Education and Training Act
9. **Regional Spatial Strategy: Additional Sustainability Appraisal Work (attached)**

To summarise the Government's progress with the Sustainability Appraisal Work, based on a response from the Government Office for the South West
10. **Outcomes from Partnership Conference (attached)**

To inform members of the Board of the outcomes from the Conference held in November
11. **2009/10 Partnership Forward Plan (attached)**

To receive the current version of the Forward Plan

## 12. Next meeting

Thursday 25 February 2010, 2pm, Council House, Bristol

\* *The public are required to give notice as follows:*

- *By noon on the working day before the meeting for **petitions** or **statements***
- *3 full working day's notice for **questions**.*