

# The West of England Partnership

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## Board Meeting

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**Date:** Friday 19 September 2008  
**Time:** 10am (Skills Pledge signing 9.30am) – 12 noon,  
followed by a sandwich lunch  
**Place:** BAWA, Southmead Road, Filton BS34 7RG

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**Distribution:**

Members of the Board

Please note that the Councils will be signing the **Skills Pledge** at 9.30am – all welcome

The **Skills Pledge** commits the four councils, as major employers, to developing their workforce and, in particular, focusing on those individuals with no Level 2 qualification. It is promoted and supported by the Learning and Skills Council which will help finance and support training programmes. These will aim particularly at those with limited or no skills in literacy and numeracy, and to profile key areas of the authorities where those individuals are most likely to be located. The Pledge reflects an increasingly close working relationship between the authorities in addressing these issues.

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## **MEMBERS OF THE WEST OF ENGLAND PARTNERSHIP BOARD**

### **Local authorities:**

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

Cllr Francine Haeberling

Cllr Paul Crossley

Cllr Adrian Inker

#### **Bristol City Council**

Cllr Richard Eddy

Cllr Helen Holland

Cllr Barbara Janke

#### **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

Martina Peattie, Bristol and West of England ChangeUp Consortia

Sonia Mills, Chief Executive, North Bristol NHS Trust

Ian Ducat, South West Trade Union Council

Prof. Len Hall, Pro-Vice Chancellor, University of Bristol

### **Observers:**

Peter Brown, South West Regional Assembly

Hilary Neal, Government Office for the South West

Ian Knight, South West Regional Development Agency

### **Neighbouring County Councils:**

David Halkyard, Gloucestershire County Council

Paul Hickson, Group Manager - Economy & Europe, Somerset Council

David Rapley, Group Manager: Planning & Environment, Wiltshire County Council

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## AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes of meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2008
3. Public Forum: statements, petitions and questions
4. Update on Partnership progress
5. Multi-Area Agreement
6. Joint Waste Management and Core Strategies: Implementation
7. Work Programme
8. Core Cities Activity Update
9. Date of next meeting: Friday 24 October

### **Future meetings:**

<b><i>Date</i></b>	<b><i>Time</i></b>	<b><i>Venue</i></b>
Fri 24 October	10am – 12 noon	Bristol Council House
Fri 5 December	11am – 1pm	Guildhall, Bath
Thursday 5 February	2pm – 4pm	BAWA, Filton
Thursday 12 March	2pm – 4pm	The Campus, W-S-M