

**SOUTH EAST ENGLAND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY****BOARD MEETING 11 DECEMBER 2008****ITEM 12****CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

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| <b>OCTOBER</b>   |  |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> | Visit to Cake Bake Company Swanscombe  |
| <b>NOVEMBER</b>  |  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Ceremony for Honorary Award of Doctor of Business from Southampton Solent University<br>meeting with Brigadier Miles Wade Aldershot  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup>  | meeting with Pete Winkelman Milton Keynes Dons with Simon Johnson of Football Association<br>South East Leadership Group   |
| 5 <sup>th</sup>  | Visit to University of Kent<br>Regional Economic Council<br>Green Business Awards  |
| 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Visit to Isle of Wight - High level visit to Isle of Wight by SEEDA Chairman, Chief Executive and Executive Board Directors to meet business leaders and Isle of Wight Council officials, discuss impact of economic downturn and key economic issues and opportunities  |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> | meeting with Rod MacDonald Buro Happold<br>Meeting with Gavin McAlpine<br>Housing dinner This dinner is primarily to help SEEDA and other public sector partners understand the impact of the current economic situation on the development sector generally and more specifically on the housebuilding sector, and how that will impact on housing delivery in the short, medium and longer term. |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> | meeting with Peter Dark Hampshire Cosmetics  |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> | SEERA Regional Funding Advice meeting<br>Bechtel Reception   |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> | Environment Agency Waste<br>meeting with Jim Ratcliffe INEOS   |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> | Environment Agency Board   |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> | Environment Agency Board<br>meeting with Mohammed Haroon   |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> | meeting with Martin Perry Brighton & Hove Albion   |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> | Farnham Castle Trustees Meeting<br>meeting with Colin Byrne, Government Office South East  |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> | South East Economic Delivery Council chaired jointly by Jonathan Shaw, Regional Minister for the South East, and James Brathwaite, SEEDA Chairman. Focus for the Delivery Council is to consider areas of action to combat or alleviate the impacts of the downturn.<br>Visit to University of Greenwich   |

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| 16 <sup>th</sup>                     | Meeting with Hilary Benn MP: Secretary of State for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs  |
| 25 <sup>th</sup>                     | Skills event Guildford Cathedral<br>Lord Mandelson reception   |
| 26 <sup>th</sup>                     | Launch of Thames Gateway Institute for Sustainability<br>State of the Gateway seminar, Thames Gateway Forum  |
| 27 <sup>th</sup>                     | Sandy Bruce Lockhart Memorial Service<br>meeting with John Elliott Milwood Homes regarding Rye Marina  |
| 28 <sup>th</sup>                     | meeting with Anne Duncan Yellowfin<br>Walter Cha opening of offices Chandlers Ford   |
| <b>DECEMBER</b>                      |  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>                      | Medway Council meeting with Cllr Jane Chitty to update SEEDA on progress in Medway.<br>Meeting with Kimberley Clark to explore how SEEDA can increase the likelihood of Kimberley Clark investing in the South East.<br>Infrastructure Conference and dinner   |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>                      | Sub National Review meeting<br>meeting with Robert Spencer and Sally Goodsell, Finance South East<br>meeting with Mark Mitchell Serious Materials<br>RDA Chairs dinner with Peter Mandelson - a 'remissioning' dinner since Chairs have agreed to stay for an additional year to provide continuity of expertise, experience and relationships during challenging economic times   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup>                      | PCF Board<br>Environment Agency Flood Defence Finance<br>Meeting with Gordon Brown MP regarding Annual Innovation Report   |
| 5 <sup>th</sup>                      | SEEDA Staff Day  |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>                      | Small Business Forum<br>meeting with Vinod Khanna<br>South East Economic Partnerships Chairs meeting and dinner  |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> | Brussels meetings - Meeting with Danuta Hübner, Commissioner for Regional Policy, Lunch workshop with European regions, Start meeting with UKREP, Peter Green, Counsellor Social, Environmental and Regional Affairs, Reception for Paul Bevan, new Secretary General of Eurocities,<br>5 meetings with Cabinet Members and senior officials targeted at key areas of influence: Global Business Opportunities (DG Trade), Employability (DG Employment), Global Connectivity (DG TREN), Enhancing the Business Environment (DG Enterprise), Innovation – Skills – Productivity (Horizontal Lisbon Group: DG Regio, DG Employment & DG Enterprise) |