



**Economy and Enterprise
Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

Date Monday 13 February 2012
Time 10.00 am
Venue Committee Room 2 - County Hall, Durham

Business

Part A

Items during which the Press and Public are welcome to attend. Members of the Public can ask questions with the Chairman's agreement.

1. Minutes of the meetings held 17 November 2011 and 19 December 2011 (Pages 1 - 18)
2. Declarations of Interest, if any
3. Items from Co-opted Members or Interested Parties, if any
4. Media Relations:
Update on Press Coverage.
5. "The Statistical Bias Against Unitary Counties": (Pages 19 - 56)
 - (i) Report of the Corporate Director Regeneration and Economic Development.
 - (ii) Presentation by Professor Steve Fothergill, Centre for Regional Economic and Social Research, Sheffield University.
6. Update on the Stock Option Appraisal: (Pages 57 - 62)
 - (i) Joint Report of the Assistant Chief Executive and Corporate Director Regeneration and Economic Development.
 - (ii) Presentation by Marie Roe, Housing Stock Option Manager.
7. Update on the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP): (Pages 63 - 64)
Report of the Corporate Director Regeneration and Economic Development.
8. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chair of the meeting, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration

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Head of Legal and Democratic Services

County Hall
Durham
3 February 2012

To: **The Members of the Economy and Enterprise Overview and Scrutiny Committee:**

Councillor J Moran (Chair)
Councillor A Naylor (Vice-Chair)

Councillors J Armstrong, B Arthur, A Barker, C Carr, J Cordon, B Graham, B Harrison, J Hunter, P Jopling, R Liddle, C Potts, J Rowlandson, B Sloan, P Stradling, Andy Turner, M Wilkes, M Williams and A Willis

Co-opted Members:

Mr T Batson, Mrs O Brown, Mrs A Harrison, Mr A Kitching, Mr D Lavin and Mr JB Walker