

The Kent Economic Board
Tuesday 20 September 2011, 5 – 7 pm
The Darent Room, Sessions House, Maidstone

This special meeting of the Kent Economic Board has been convened to focus on three key growth opportunities – members of the Business Advisory Board have been invited – as the purpose of this meeting is to showcase the opportunities and examine how these can be supported and developed to maximise impact for local business.

A G E N D A

- 1. Welcome, and introductions**

- 2. Notes of previous meeting and matters arising – including BAB 17th May**

- 3. The VESTAS Sheerness Option – and potential growth, supply chain opportunities and benefits for Kent** – presentation from Captain Stephen Gobbi, Corporate Relations & Marine Director and Ross Thompson, Head of Business Development from Peel Ports and Matthew Delany, Director Government Relations, from Vestas Offshore

- 4. Kent Rural Plc – explanation of the initiative and its key elements** – presentation from Kevin Lynes, KCC Cabinet Member for Regeneration & Enterprise and Jon Regan, Director Hugh Lowe Farms Ltd - copy of the Kent Rural Plc action plan here attached

- 5. Discovery Park** – sweating the asset for wider benefit – Paul Carter, Chairman of the Pfizer Taskforce and Leader of KCC – briefing papers here attached

- 6. AOB**

Dates of future meetings

Board - 5 to 7 pm

Wednesday 14 December

Business Advisory Board – 7.30 – 10 am

Tuesday 22 November