# Knowledge Economy Scrutiny Inquiry: Meeting 3

Date:Thursday 30th SeptemberTime:6.p.mVenue:Civic Centre Committee Room 1

# The Business View

## Key issues

- Examples of best practice
- What is the potential for the knowledge economy for the city?
- What is holding us back?
- Lessons to be drawn from the development of Business Southampton
- What experiences do companies and organisations have of setting up and doing business within Southampton?

### Speakers

**1) David Pollard** – Portfolio Director, South East Business Innovation & Growth

Solent Team

10 minute presentation on the view from South East Business Innovation & Growth

Solent Team followed by questions from the Panel

2) Chris Allington – Managing Director, Oxford Innovation 10 minute presentation on the view from Oxford Innovation followed by questions from the Panel

### 3) Local Business View-

Sally Lynskey- Chief Executive, Business Southampton

**Jimmy Chestnutt**-Chief Executive, Hampshire Chamber of Commerce -Southampton

Sally will speak about the experiences of developing Business Southampton for five minutes and Jimmy will give the Chamber of Commerce view for five minutes.

There will then be a question and answer session with representatives from local businesses accompanying the speakers to gain their views on the challenges and issues of doing business in Southampton and on the Knowledge Economy generally