

ANNUAL MEETING

**13 July 2005
Winchester Guildhall**

AGENDA

09.0 Registration
Tea/coffee

09.30 Group meetings, nominations to Assembly offices and committees

11.00 1. Election of Assembly Chair

Election is by confidential ballot undertaken by the Regional Returning Officer; Cllr Skellett will continue in the Chair until the result of the election is announced, as soon as proceedings allow.

2. Election of Deputy Chair

Unless any candidate withdraws, the election will be between the five nominated Vice-Chairs conducted, like that for the Chair, on the single transferable vote system.

3. Annual Report from the Chair of the Assembly (to follow)

For discussion. The Assembly's published annual report for 2004-05 has been circulated with the meeting papers. The Chair will reflect on the Assembly's achievements for the year and take members' questions. A report from the Chair on the work of the Executive Committee since the March plenary meeting is to follow.

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11.30 **4. SEEDA Annual Report** (Annual Performance Report 2004-05 herewith)

For discussion. James Brathwaite, Chairman of SEEDA, and Pam Alexander, Chief Executive, will address the meeting. A key dimension of the Regional Development Agency's accountability to the Assembly is this Chairman's review of SEEDA's performance over the past year. This is an important opportunity to question the key people running the RDA.

12.30 **5. South East Plan:**

Report of the Director of Planning and Transport (herewith)

Annex 1: Draft South East Plan Core Document (herewith)

Annex 2: Key Issues Report to the RPC, 13 June 2005 (herewith)

Annex 3: Second Draft Sustainability Appraisal Report (herewith)

For decision. Following the public consultation and further research, the draft Plan has been debated in two member workshops and has been considered in some detail by the Regional Planning Committee on two occasions. The Assembly is now invited to debate and agree for submission to Ministers the main elements of the draft Plan, including levels of growth, the regional policies and key sub-regional parameters, as recommended by the RPC. The Chairman of the RPC will propose wording for three aspects of the draft Plan that remain unresolved by the Planning Committee, namely:

- a) Economic growth
- b) Spatial strategy
- c) Phasing and monitoring of housing numbers

(to follow)

Thereafter members will be invited to debate the draft Plan by section.

13.00 **Lunch**

13.45 **5. South East Plan** (continued)

16.00 **Close**

Note: Party and partner group secretaries/leaders have been supplied with nomination forms for Assembly offices and committees, to be completed in the group meetings preceding the Assembly and passed to the Returning Officer at 11.00. The result of the election and a list of offices and committees for 2005-06 will be made available during the lunch break.