

DRAFT PROGRAMME

HERTFORDSHIRE FORWARD ANNUAL CONFERENCE
The Hertfordshire Economy – from Recession to Recovery
6TH NOVEMBER 2009

THE FIELDER CENTRE, HATFIELD

Time	Activity	Duration	Lead/Speaker
07.30	Business Breakfast	2.0hrs	Tim Hutchings, HCCI
08.00	Keynote speaker Title to be advised		Senior Executive from Tesco
	Main Event		
9.30	Registration for main event	30 mins.	In first floor rooms – coffee available – displays to include Ready for Winners CompeteFor
10.00	Welcome & Introduction	10 mins.	
10.10	Keynote speaker 1 Title to be confirmed	30 mins.	David Frost, Dir. General British Chambers of Commerce
10.40	Keynote speaker 2 – Skills for the future	30 mins.	John Nay – National Apprenticeships Scheme
11.10	Coffee	30 mins.	
11.40	Workshops: 1. Social enterprise 2. Inward investment 3. Business Retention 4. Culture & Tourism 5. Rural economy	50 mins.	1. Chris Lee- Social Enterprise, E of England 2. East of England International 3. Chris Taylor DBC 4. Cllr. Melvyn Teare, St Albans 5. East Herts D.C
12.30	Promoting innovation and excellence in the field of bio-science	30 mins.	Jackie Hunter, GSK
13.00	Lunch	60 mins.	
14.00	The new Economic Partnership for Hertfordshire - a new vision and economic strategy - launch of draft	30 mins.	Rob Gordon Chairman of Hertfordshire Works
14.30	Workshops – Feedback on the Draft Economic Strategy	50 mins.	Facilitated by Herts Works Theme Leads
15.20	Doing Business in Hertfordshire	20 mins.	Dave Meadon, Northgate Information Solutions
15.40	The future of retailing and town centres	30 mins.	Nat Wakely, Head of Property, John Lewis
16.15	Close		