

## Economy, Jobs & Prosperity

### **Issues:**

- Lack of knowledge – commitment
- E.g. East Sussex Business Board – feedback to district/borough – role of existing reps??
- Capacity issues
- Too many groups
- Business engagement – a challenge ACROSS county
- Themes - geography

### **Opportunities:**

- National Indicators – profile
- Planning – use new mechanism e.g. JobCentre Plus and Learning and Skills Council
- Utilise existing business links e.g. Federation of Small Businesses
- East Sussex Business Board – articulate business needs to regional bodies

### **Actions:**

- More formal links – East Sussex Business Board and thematic groups
- Circulate minutes to thematic groups
- Influence Local Development Framework process & related S106 issues – e.g. fibre optics
- Ensure relevant relationships with Regional Development Agency
- Further discussion on this theme