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**To: All Members of the Economic and Community Development Policy
Development and Scrutiny Panel**

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Councillor Patrick Anketell-Jones
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Councillor Michael Evans
Councillor Lisa Brett
Councillor Manda Rigby

Chief Executive and other appropriate officers
Press and Public

Dear Member

**Economic and Community Development Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel:
Thursday, 12th July, 2012**

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **Economic and Community Development Policy
Development and Scrutiny Panel**, to be held on **Thursday, 12th July, 2012 at 1.00 pm** in the
Council Chamber - Guildhall, Bath.

The agenda is set out overleaf.

Yours sincerely

Jack Latkovic
for Chief Executive

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Thursday, 12th July, 2012**

at 1.00 pm in the Council Chamber - Guildhall, Bath

A G E N D A

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

The Chair will draw attention to the emergency evacuation procedure as set out under Note 6.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

Members who have an interest to declare are asked to:

- a) State the Item Number in which they have the interest
- b) The nature of the interest
- c) Whether the interest is personal, or personal and prejudicial

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5. TO ANNOUNCE ANY URGENT BUSINESS AGREED BY THE CHAIRMAN

6. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC OR COUNCILLORS - TO RECEIVE DEPUTATIONS, STATEMENTS, PETITIONS OR QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OF THIS MEETING

At the time of publication no notifications had been received.

7. MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 24TH MAY 2012 (Pages 5 - 14)

To confirm the minutes of the above meeting as a correct record.

8. COMMUNITY SAFETY PLAN: HELPING VULNERABLE PEOPLE (30 MINUTES)
(Pages 15 - 24)

This report highlights how the work of the Community Safety Partnership helps support the most vulnerable in our communities.

The Panel is requested:

- To note the work of the Community Safety Partnership to support and reassure vulnerable people.
- To examine and test this work and its outcomes and wider impacts.
- To note the Government's proposed new tools and powers for anti-social behaviour and crime.
- To make any recommendations to Cabinet or the Responsible Authorities Group.

9. BATH AND NORTH EAST SOMERSET INDEPENDENT BUSINESS SECTOR STUDY (30 MINUTES) (Pages 25 - 28)

In March 2012 a study was commissioned to provide an evidence-based insight into the 'Independent Business Sector' in Bath and North East Somerset's economy. The 'Independent Business Sector' is defined as the sector of the economy which comprises all those private sector businesses which are not owned or controlled by another company.

The study aims to explore the direct contribution of the Independent Sector to Bath and North East Somerset's economy in terms of economic output, employment and incomes as well as some information about indirect contributions through the supply chain.

The study will also provide an insight into how much 'leakage' exists within the independent and non-independent sectors e.g. the amount of their economic contribution which 'leaks out' of the B&NES economy and into economies located elsewhere.

This report invites the panel to hear the detail of the study and discuss options for supporting the independent sector going forward.

10. WORKPLAN (Pages 29 - 34)

This report presents the latest workplan for the Panel.

The Committee Administrator for this meeting is Jack Latkovic who can be contacted on 01225 394452.