

**Report Reference:
Policy and Scrutiny**

Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills, Executive Director of Environment and Economy

Report to:	Economic Scrutiny Committee
Date:	08 December 2015
Subject:	Agreement to participate in a pan-county financial instrument which provides finance to businesses

Summary:

This report invites the Economic Scrutiny Committee to consider a report on the agreement to participate in a pan-county financial instrument which provides finance to businesses which is due to be considered by the Executive Councillor for Economic Development, Environment, Planning and Tourism on 8 January 2016. The views of the Scrutiny Committee will be reported to the Executive Councillor as part of his consideration of this item.

Actions Required:

- (1) To consider the attached report and to determine whether the Committee supports the recommendation(s) to the Executive Councillor for Economic Development, Environment, Planning and Tourism as set out in the report.
- (2) To agree any additional comments to be passed to the Executive Councillor for Economic Development, Environment, Planning and Tourism in relation to this item.

1. Background

The Executive Councillor for Economic Development, Environment, Planning and Tourism is due to consider a report on the agreement to participate in a pan-county financial instrument which provides finance to businesses. The full report to the Executive Councillor is attached at Appendix 1 to this report.

2. Conclusion

Following consideration of the attached report, the Committee is requested to consider whether it supports the recommendation(s) in the report and whether it wishes to make any additional comments to the Executive Councillor. The Committee's views will be reported to the Executive Councillor.

3. Consultation

a) Policy Proofing Actions Required

Not applicable

4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report.	
Appendix A	Report and Appendices to the Executive Councillor for Economic Development, Environment, Planning and Tourism on agreement to participate in a pan-county financial instrument which provides finance to businesses

5. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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