



## Brexit: Practical impacts for the South East

Thursday 31 January 2019

Engineering Employers' Federation, Broadway House  
Tothill Street, London SW1H 9NQ

### Timings

- 10.00-10.25 Political group meetings (Conservatives: Whittle Room)  
10.25-10.55 SEEC All-member business session (Stephenson Room, 1<sup>st</sup> floor)  
11.00-14.45 Brexit Workshop: Practical impacts for the South East (Stephenson Room, 1<sup>st</sup> floor)  
Lunch will be served at 12.20pm

## AGENDA

*With 2 months to go on the original timetable for leaving the EU, there remains uncertainty about the final shape of Brexit. Setting aside different views about Brexit, today's workshop focuses on practical steps South East local authorities can take to maintain public services and the economy.*

### 10.00-10.55

#### SESSION 1: SEEC COUNCILLOR MEETINGS

1. SEEC councillors' political pre-meets
2. SEEC updates and recent work (see separate business session agenda)

### 11.00-12.20

#### SESSION 2: BREXIT, SKILLS AND THE SOUTH EAST ECONOMY

3. Welcome and South East Context, **Cllr Roy Perry, SEEC Chairman**
4. Brexit: What does it mean for South East local authorities? **Cllr Kevin Bentley, Chair of LGA Brexit Task Group**

Q&A

5. Migrant Skills in the South East Economy, **Rob McNeil, Deputy Director of Oxford University Centre on Migration, Policy & Society**
6. Developing Home Grown Skills, **Gillian Keegan MP, Chichester MP and Co-Chair APPG on Apprenticeships**

Q&A

12.20 LUNCH (Caxton Room, ground floor)

### 13.00-14.45

#### SESSION 3: ECONOMIC AND PUBLIC SERVICE CONTINUITY POST-BREXIT

7. Keeping Trade Links Open, **Alastair Welch, Director, Port of Southampton; Cllr Mike Whiting, Kent CC Cabinet Member for Planning, Highways, Transport & Waste**
  8. Keeping Public Services Running, **Ian Hoults, Head of Emergency Planning, Hampshire CC**
- Q&A
9. Roundtable Debates: What is needed to help councils mitigate any Brexit risks?
  10. Shared Prosperity Funds and Legacy EU programmes, **Laura Parker-Tong, Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy; Louis Mayhew, Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government**
- Q&A
11. Conclusions and close of workshop, **Cllr Roy Perry, SEEC Chairman**