



Partnership for Urban South Hampshire

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Dear Mrs Loweth

SEEDA Consultation on the development of Place Based Innovation Teams: PUSH Response

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on SEEDA's proposal to develop Place Based Innovation Teams. I am pleased to enclose comments on behalf of the Partnership for Urban South Hampshire (PUSH).

Innovation and the knowledge economy are important elements contributing towards growth in the PUSH Sub-region. Public intervention and business support is therefore vital to lift South Hampshire to a higher level with higher rates of enterprise and higher levels of productivity. There are a number of knowledge assets in the sub-region, including four universities. A Hampshire and Isle of Wight Place Based Innovation Team is an excellent opportunity to further foster knowledge transfer processes and is strongly supported by PUSH. PUSH looks forward to working with SEEDA and partners in the development of these teams.

If you have any queries or seek further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact Tim Levenson at Southampton City Council (Tel: 023 8083 2550 or e-mail: tim.levenson@southampton.gov.uk) who is the Chairman of the PUSH Enterprise, Innovation and Business Support Sub-group.

Yours sincerely

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