## Essex Coastal Conference – 28 September 2012

## **Coastal Economy and Regeneration – Programme**

Time	Presentation	Speaker	Organisation
9.30	Registration and coffee		
10.00	Welcome	Cllr Kay Twitchen	Essex County Council
10.05	The Importance of the Essex Coast	Cllr John Jowers	Essex County Council

Session One: Economic Growth from a Local Perspective					
10.10	Can Sand and Shingle be a Firm Foundation for a Town Centre? Experiences from Coastal Portas Pilots	Toyubur Rahman	Association of Town Centre Management		
10.35	Skills for the Coastal Economy	Employability and Skills Team	Essex County Council		
10.55	The Coastal Economy from the Parish Perspective	Cllr Peter Clements MBE	West Mersea Town Council		
11.10	Refreshments and Networking				

Session Two: The Importance of the Coast from District and County Perspective					
11.30	Economic Growth as a Key Priority for Essex	Cllr Kevin Bentley	Essex County Council		
11.50	Challenges and Opportunities on the Tendring Coast	Ian Davidson	Tendring District Council		
12.10	Question and Answer Session				
12.40	Lunch and Networking Break				

European Union The European Regional Development Fund

For afternoon session please see overleaf









Session Three: The Marine Sector					
13.40	Opportunities Offshore Wind provides for Essex and the Coast	David Ralph	Haven Gateway Partnership		
14.00	Economic Benefits of the Leisure and Marine Industry	Simon Wakefield	British Marine Federation		
Session Four: Tourism and Access					
14.20	The Economic Value of Coastal Access in the South West	Mark Owen	South West Coastal Path		
14.50	Tourism on the Coast as an Economic Driver	Lisa Bone	Visit Essex		
15.10	Questions				
15.30	Conference Close				
15.30 16.00	Networking Break with Refreshments (optional)				