

REALISING THE ECONOMIC POTENTIAL OF THE WIDER SOUTH EAST

TECHNICAL SYMPOSIUM

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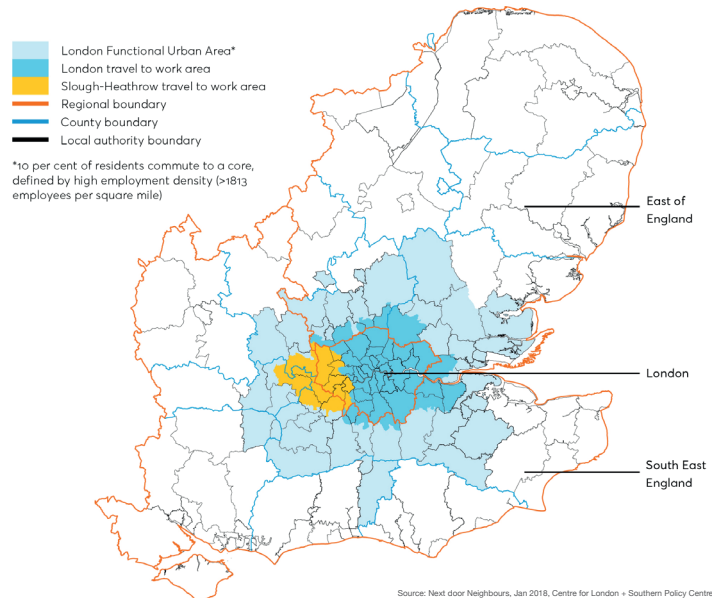
The combined economies of the former South East and East regions represent over 20% of the nation's GVA. They also contain eight of its highest performing towns.

Yet these areas are often perceived as the commuting hinterlands of London, rather than economic engines in their own right.

Sub-regional economic, planning and transport initiatives are making a positive return in several parts of the Wider South East.

But could economic potential be enhanced by adopting a wider and longer-term perspective and by joining up these initiatives?

If so, how might this be achieved?



Source: Next door Neighbours, Jan 2018, Centre for London + Southern Policy Centre

CONFIRMED SPEAKERS



Prof John Denham	Director, Southern Policy Centre
Dame Kate Barker	Business Economist
Tom Wright	President, New York Regional Plan Association
Catriona Riddell	Planning Officers Society, Strategic Planning Convenor
Hilary Chipping	Chief Executive, South East Midlands LEP
Rupert Clubb	Lead Officer, Transport for the South East

Discussion sessions will seek to identify what unites the Wider South East, who might benefit from a clearer inter-regional picture and coordinated analysis and mapping, and further opportunities for collaboration.

This is an invite-only symposium, with a good mix of participants including representatives of local and central government and its agencies, LEPs, transport bodies and utilities, and think tanks.

You can register your interest in receiving an invitation via the contact us tab. As places are limited, we will notify you via email whether we are able to accommodate your request up to two week before the conference date.

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