

**TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**COMMUNITIES ADVISORY BOARD**

**23 July 2012**

**Report of the Chief Executive**

**Part 1- Public**

**Matters for Information**

**1 FEDERATION OF SMALL BUSINESSES – PRESENTATION**

**1.1 Topics to be covered**

1.1.1 Andrew Aves, Development Manager at the Kent and Medway branch of the Federation of Small Businesses, will be attending the Board meeting to give a short presentation on the following:

- The Kent and Medway Business Barometer, a survey of business performance and confidence carried out in the Spring of this year, attached as Annex 1 to this report;
- A national report from the FSB focusing on measures put forward to revitalise the rural economy, attached as Annex 2 to this report.

Background papers:

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Nil

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Chief Executive