

**HOW CAN CITIES AND REGIONS FINANCE THEIR
TRANSITION TO A LOW CARBON ECONOMY?
London, 2 May 2012**

AGENDA

- 2.00 Welcomes and Introduction
Jon Price (Centre for Low Carbon Futures)

PART 1: FINANCING MODELS

Chair: Rory Sullivan

- 2.10 Low Carbon Cities: The Scale and Composition of the Investment Opportunity
Andy Gouldson (University of Leeds)
- 2.25 The Role of Local Authorities in Delivering the Low Carbon Economy
Andy Deacon (Energy Saving Trust)
- 2.40 Case-Study 1: The Role of Local Authorities in Financing the Local Low Carbon Economy
using the Green Deal as an Example
Christoph Harwood (Marksman Consulting)
- 2.55 Case-Study 2: Leveraging Investment through the Provision of Targeted Support
Emily Smith (European Investment Bank)
- 3.10 Roundtable Discussion: Perspectives from Local Authorities and Investors
- 3.40 Break

PART 2: ADDRESSING OBSTACLES AND MANAGING RISKS

Chair: Andy Gouldson

- 4.00 Managing Risks and Mitigation Options
Rory Sullivan, Phil Webber & Andy Gouldson (Centre for Low Carbon Futures and
Centre for Climate Change Economics and Policy, University of Leeds)
- 4.15 Roundtable Discussion, focusing on the following questions:
- Where should this sit as a priority for local authorities?
 - Which of the available models has potential to deliver investment at scale?
 - Are there other models that haven't been discussed?
 - What are the key barriers and ways of overcoming them?
 - Will de-risking the process be enough to accelerate progress?
 - How can we encourage learning within and between cities?
 - Does the Localism Act create the powers to enable progress?
- 5.00 Next Steps and Wrap Up
- 5.15 Close