ECONOMIC PROSPERITY SCRUTINY 11 October 2016 COMMITTEE

VISIT TO PORT OF SUNDERLAND

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF AREA ARRANGEMENTS, SCRUTINY AND MEMBER SUPPORT

1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 To provide feedback on the visit of the Scrutiny Committee to the Port of Sunderland.

2. Background

- 2.1 At the beginning of the year, the Members asked that a visit to the Port of Sunderland be included as part of its work programme.
- 2.2 It was intended that the visit would provide members with an opportunity to consider the progress being made by the Port of Sunderland.

3 Current Position

- 3.1 The visit to the Port took place on 15 September 2016 and was hosted by Matthew Hunt (Port Director) and Capt. Andrew Ullah (Harbour Master).
- 3.2 The visit included a boat trip on the River Wear when members had the opportunity to discuss with Matthew Hunt the progress being made by the Port. Members were also able to view progress on the New Wear Crossing and the developments that line the bank of the river.

4. Recommendations

4.1 Members are asked to provide feedback on the visit to the Port of Sunderland.

5 Glossary

None

6 Background Papers

None