

The evidence base for the South West Regional Economic Strategy

When the Regional Development Agencies (SWRDA in the South West) were formed in 1999 they were charged with improving the standard of living for the people in the regions through sustainable economic development. They each produced Regional Economic Strategies (RES), to provide some structure to drawing together the many government initiatives, which were in place at the time. In 2005 SWRDA began carrying out a review of the Economic Strategy. They carried out a very extensive consultation exercise within the region [this is discussed in more detail in the regional consultation section]. At the start of the process they produced an evidence base for the people/partners/stakeholders of the region to use as the background information for the review process.

This can be found at the following link

[RES Evidence Base](#)