Localism & sustainable food
- opportunities & challenges
What’s out

Regional planning
- Regional Spatial Strategies

Planning Policy Statements
- PPS4 and Impact Test
- Town Centre First Policy?

SoS reluctance to ‘calling in’
What’s in

- Local Enterprise Partnerships
- Enterprise Zones
- Financial Incentives for local communities to accept development
- Neighbourhood planning
- National Planning Policy Framework – new guidance for local authorities
Sustainable development?

“powerful new presumption in favour of sustainable development, so that the default answer to development is ‘yes’”.

- Budget 2011
Friends of the Earth’s concerns

• Lack of clarity and clear duties to deliver sustainable development and climate change
• Sustainable development = ‘development’
• Neighbourhood planning – costly, confusing, exclusive
• No third party right of appeal - as promised by the Coalition government
• Empowering communities or more power to business?
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