

## **The Strategic Roles of SERAF, SERP and RDF (South East)**

### **South East Rural Affairs Forum**

Is a sounding board for customers/users to discuss, rural proof and influence Government Policy - with a link direct to Ministers (Regional Rural Affairs Forum chairman meet with Ministers on a quarterly basis).

The GOSE Rural team are the secretariat for this Forum.

### **South East Rural Partnership**

Is the highest strategic rural body addressing rural issues in the region. It was created following the publication of the Rural Strategy 2004, in July 2004, and will set the priorities now and in the future for the Rural South East. In essence, it is a partnership of delivery organisations that will seek views of customers via organisations like SERAF and will co-ordinate delivery of Government Policy within the region.

It is chaired by GOSE, who are also the secretariat for the Partnership.

### **Rural Delivery Framework (South East)**

This delivery framework pulls together the existing plans and strategies which relate to the rural South East so that the region can co-ordinate activity and funding more effectively and sustainably to achieve common objectives. It aims to reflect the three priorities of rural policy; Economic and Social regeneration, Social Justice for All and Enhancing the Value of our Countryside.