

Public Finances



Publish a credible plan to reduce the budget deficit and restore confidence. ✓✓✓

Freeze public sector wage bill and reform public pensions. ✓✓✓

Introduce measures to promote stable access to finance for viable companies. ✓✓

Employment



Cancel the planned Employers' NICs rise, a 'tax on jobs', in full. ✓✓

Pledge not to implement any new employment laws before 2014. ✓✓

Begin a systematic review of existing regulations affecting employers. ✓✓✓

Infrastructure



Avoid cuts to infrastructure projects that support business growth & regeneration of town centres. ✓✓

Stabilise and de-politicise the planning system, giving businesses confidence to invest. ✗

Ensure resilience of current telecoms network & deliver a radical plan for next-generation business broadband. ✓

Prioritise road/rail/waterways improvements in Northamptonshire to unlock economic devt in towns. ✗

Trade and Exports



Ensure jobs growth in Northamptonshire is appropriately supported. ✓

Strengthen support services for businesses trading internationally. ✗

Prime Minister to set out a focused vision for an export-centred economy. ✓✓

Introduce a short-term scheme to address market failures in export credit insurance. ✗



Progress met or exceeded business expectations



Some progress, but more required in this area



Good progress at 90 days



Areas requiring urgent attention prior to the end of 2010