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## **New Deputy Agent Appointed at the Bank of England Agency for the South-East and East Anglia**

Mr Mark Menary has been appointed as one of the Bank's two Deputy Agents for the South-East and East Anglia. He will be particularly concerned with businesses in Kent, Essex, Hertfordshire and east Suffolk. He succeeds Mr Phil Eckersley who has been appointed as the Bank's new Agent for Northern Ireland.

The role of the Bank's Agencies is to maintain contact with a wide range of businesses and institutions in their regions covering all sectors of the UK economy. They report back monthly to the Bank where the Monetary Policy Committee uses the information to help its understanding and assessment of current economic conditions. The Agencies are also involved with a wide range of business organisations such as the Chambers of Commerce and the regional CBI and they maintain close contact with business support services and universities. Part of the role is also to represent the Bank and explain its work and policies. At present the Bank has a network of twelve Agencies covering the entire United Kingdom.

### **Notes to Editors**

Mr Mark Menary joined the Bank in 1987. His career has included spells in a variety of areas of the Bank. He has been working in the Bank's Foreign Exchange Division since 2001.

Mrs Fiona Hoskins is the Deputy Agent for the South-East and East Anglia, based in Cambridge, with special responsibility for Cambridgeshire, Norfolk, Bedfordshire and west Suffolk.