



## 3LE on.....leadership, institutional development, local economic development companies, and public service reform

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I have, however, written extensively on institutional development – considering lessons from RDAs and local economic development companies, and the implications of these for LEPs and any future economic arms length bodies and JVs. See, for instance:-

- [‘From arms length to up close and personal’](#) – June 2009, reflecting on three early 3LE commissions involved with Cornwall Development Company, Plymouth City Development Company and Luton Gateway Development Company
- [‘Success in a changing climate – the development company ingredient’](#), Speech to Milton Keynes South Midlands Annual Summit, November 2009 on the role of arms-length and stand-alone economic development institutions
- [‘Local Development Companies – from extinction to reinvention’](#), R&R February 2011
- [‘Towards LEP investment success – lessons from RDAs and other reflections’](#), NLGN Enterprise Partnership Forum, March 2011

Some thoughts on leadership have been posted:-

- [‘Better, more or less – in search of radical public service reform’](#) Personal Blog, July 2011 looks at how public service improvement can be delivered in an age of public austerity
- [‘Looking for inspiration? Watch a good TV crime thriller’](#), Local Government Chronicle letter of the week, July 2011
- [‘In appreciation of George Price and great leadership...’](#), Personal Blog, September 2011, celebrates the life of the first prime minister of Belize, and his influence on my current views of leadership

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