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As Director of Economic Development and Growth Sarah is responsible for delivering a significant programme of regeneration across the County, driving inclusive economic growth strategy and activities to improve the prospects of the County, its residents, and businesses. Sarah is playing a key role in furthering devolution and shaping the new Mayoral Combined Authority for the North East and has worked closely with the North of Tyne Combined Authority (NTCA), co-Chairing the NTCA Wellbeing Roundtable and playing a key role in the local and regional economic growth policies and programme development and delivery across the region.

In a career of over 20 years Sarah has worked at the local, regional and national tiers of Government, leading large scale, high profile national programmes for Ministers and developing and influencing economic and social policy in areas such as, EU funding, education, skills and economic growth and development.

Prior to joining Local Government, Sarah held senior roles in the Regional Development Agency and the Department for Education.