**ROLE OF GOVERNMENT IN REDUCING NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF BUSINESS ON SOCIETY**

Government and local government can reduce the negative impacts of business son society by

1. Pass law so that workers and consumers are protected from unsafe business (Consumer Protection act 2007
2. Decline planning to business that will harm the environment
3. Introduce fines to business that damage and pollute the environment

**SUSTAINABLE ENERGY AUTHORITY OF IRELAND (SEAI)**

1. This is Ireland national energy agency. It was established in 2002
2. Its main aim is to try and promote sustainable energy by
	* Developing renewable source of energy
	* Improving energy efficiency
	* Reduce the impact of energy use

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)**

1. This organisation was set up in 1992
2. They protect the environment by providing advice to business
3. They also enforce the legislation and monitors, analysis and report on te environment

**COMPETITION AND CONSUMER PROTECTION COMMISSION**

1. This organisation enforces Irish and European competition law and conducts investigation into companies breaking these laws
2. They make sure that companies don’t hold a monopoly and that there are no cartels making a profit at the expense of the consumer by charging a higher price

**POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE AFFECTS OF ECONOMIC**

**GROWTH**

**POSITIVE**

1. Increase employment (Society)
2. decrease in government spending (Society
3. Increase spending on goods and service which will lead to more economic growth`
4. An increase in employment will lead to an increase in

standard of living

1. demand for higher education as
2. Better infrastructure

**NEGATIVE**

1. There will be an increase in how long people are living for. This can put pressure on scare resources (Environment)
2. Can lead to more purchasing of inconvenience goods and lead to obesity (Society)
3. Over reliant 0n a particular industry – construction (Environment)
4. Increase pollution (Environment)
5. Traffic Congestion (environment)

**PRODUCING SUSTAINABL EPRODUCTS**

Sourcing raw materials

**BUSINESS ETHICS**

**Business ethics -** These are morals – Doing thing right. It is how the business

behave towards different stakeholder

Examples included the following

1. Customer -Provide good quality products with good customer services
2. Suppliers -Paying them on time
3. Employees -Treating the equally and fair
4. Shareholders -Provide a fair return
5. Government -Pay the correct Tax and on time
6. Society -Do not negatively impact local environment

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**COPOREATE RESONSIBILITY**

CSR policy will

1. Improve the reputation of the business
2. As the company cares about the environment customer will buy form them
3. Employee will want to work for the company
4. Make an evaluation

**KEYWORDS**

**Sustainable Development** - This is the ability to meet the needs of the present

by not damaging future generation ability to meet the same needs

**Cooperate Social Responsibility** - They set out how business will act to benefit society and environment

**Business ethics -** These are morals – Doing thing right. It is how the business

behave towards different stakeholder

**Monopoly** - This is when a business becomes the only supplier in the market of a

product or service. They do this by buying up smaller business sin the market

**Cartel** - This is s illegal agreement between a group of business to charge a

certain the same price for their product or service. They usually do this by selling

at the same price which is usually a high one

**SELF-TEST QUESTIONSONS**

1. Identify the positive and negative affects of economic growth to society and the environment

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3. Define different terms

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3. Explain how business can have an impact on society and the environment

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