SHARED REVENUES AND BENEFITS SERVICE JOINT COMMITTEE

4.30 P.M. 18TH DECEMBER 2014

PRESENT:-

Councillor Rawlinson - Cabinet Member for Resources (Preston City Council) (Chair)

Councillor Rankin - Leader, Preston City Council

Councillor Bryning Cabinet Member and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Revenues and Benefits and ICT, Lancaster City Council

Also in attendance:

Ms N Muschamp Chief Officer (Resources) and Section 151 Officer, Lancaster City Council

Mr B Hayes Corporate Director Community and Business Services and Section 151 Officer, Preston City Council

Mr A Robinson Assistant Director (Head of Revenues and Benefits – Shared Service)

Ms C Adair Operations and Performance Manager

Mr S Cox Principal Accountant

Ms D Chambers Democratic Services Manager, Lancaster City Council

Apologies:

Councillor Blamire

SRB37 MINUTES

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of the Joint Committee held on 18th September 2014 were agreed as a correct record.

SRB38 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

SRB39 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Shared Revenues and Benefits Service Joint Committee would be arranged at a later date.

SRB40 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved: That the public be excluded from this meeting during consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that there is likely to be a disclosure of exempt information which is described in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A

of the Local Government Act 1972, and that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.

SRB41 SHARED SERVICE BUDGET 2015/16 - REVENUES AND BENEFITS (PARAGRAPH 3)

The Assistant Director (Head of Revenues and Benefits – Shared Service) submitted a report providing the latest budget monitoring and the revised budget for 2014/15 for the Shared Service and to enable the Joint Committee to approve the 2015/16 budget. The Principal Accountant (Preston City Council) presented the report to Members.

Resolved: That the Joint Committee:

- (i) Notes the latest budget monitoring and the revised budget for 2014/15 for the Shared Service, as detailed in Appendix A of the report;
- (ii) approves the budget for 2015/16 for the Shared Service, as detailed in Appendix B of the report; and
- (iii) delegates to the S151 Officers of each Council (by agreement) to determine the cost sharing ratio for contributions to and from the overall Shared Service budget.

Chairman