

SUBJECT:	Business Case for a Shared Revenues and Benefits Support Service
REPORT OF:	Director of Resources
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1. Purpose of Report

To consider the recommendations arising from the shared services review of Revenues and Benefits.

RECOMMENDATION

Following legal advice and in order to be consistent with the previous approach used for shared service reviews, Full Council are asked to formally adopt the recommendations set out below

RECOMMENDED –

- 1. That the case for a shared Revenues and Benefits Service is proven and that both Councils should proceed to establish a shared Revenues and Benefits Service**
- 2. That subject to consultation with staff and a formal agreement between the Councils, the services of staff in South Bucks District Council's Revenues and Benefits Service be put at the disposal of Chiltern District Council under Section 113 of the Local Government Act 1972 so they can work across the two local authority areas.**
- 3. That the Acting Chief Executive in consultation with the Cabinet Leader and the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to finalise the terms of any legal documentation required to give effect to recommendation 2 above.**

2. Report Content

The Chiltern and South Bucks Joint Committee is due to consider the Business Case for a shared Revenues and Benefits Service at its meeting on 16 November 2015. Any updates following this meeting will be tabled at the Council meeting.

The Business Case is attached as in item 17 of the Council Agenda.

3. Links to Council Policy Objectives

The efficient implementation of joint services reviews is linked to the Council's Priority Aim to: Deliver cost-effective services that are driven by customer and community needs.

Background Papers:	None
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