

REPORT TO	DATE OF MEETING
SHARED SERVICES JOINT COMMITTEE	26th March 2012

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SUBJECT	PORTFOLIO	AUTHOR	ITEM
SHARED FINANCIAL SERVICES	N/A	SUSAN GUINNESS	5

INTRODUCTION and BACKGROUND

Attached to this report for members' information are the new Financial Management Information System (FMIS) end of project report and a summary Implementation Review.

The documents provide the following information:-

- Summary and background
- Achievement of the project objectives
- Project performance
- Revenue and Capital Budget performance
- Benefits achieved
- Change control
- Lessons learned
- Projects risk information

Proactive and continual development of the FMIS is a key project and priority for the Shared Financial Services Team and features in the Business Improvement Plan projects also the Key Performance Indicators for the Partnership.

The Team is working with users, customers and the supplier to ensure that it is meeting their needs and expectations, achieving the most optimum efficient and effective business processes and is as up to date as possible. This is achieved by further implementation of new software functionality to make the very best use of technology and therefore maximising productivity.

The success of the FMIS project has provided the core building blocks that have enabled the service to review its staffing structure, improve performance against its KPIs, enhance services provided to customers and achieve significant budgetary efficiencies for both Councils.

This project's progressive and radical solution, to enable financial systems to be delivered on a multi company platform, has been featured nationally in Local Government Chronicle and also presented to delegates at the CIVICA annual conference in January 2012.

With regard to current developments the Shared Financial Services Team is leading on a Lancashire wide project that is looking into the feasibility of providing the same FMIS delivery model to District Council's across the County and the potential efficiencies achievable.

WIDER IMPLICATIONS

In the preparation of this report, consideration has been given to the impact of its proposals in all the areas listed below, and the table shows any implications in respect of each of these. The risk assessment which has been carried out forms part of the background papers to the report.

FINANCIAL	There are no financial implications as a result of this report. The significant budgetary savings have been reported with the Partnership have already been reported to the Joint Committee.		
LEGAL	There are no legal implications regarding the contents of this report.		
RISK	There are no risk register items emanating from the contents of this report.		
OTHER (see below)			
<i>Asset Management</i>	<i>Corporate Plans and Policies</i>	<i>Crime and Disorder</i>	<i>Efficiency Savings/Value for Money</i>
<i>Equality, Diversity and Community Cohesion</i>	<i>Freedom of Information/ Data Protection</i>	<i>Health and Safety</i>	<i>Health Inequalities</i>
<i>Human Rights Act 1998</i>	<i>Implementing Electronic Government</i>	<i>Staffing, Training and Development</i>	<i>Sustainability</i>

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS