OVERVIEW & BUDGET SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Item under consideration: SURREY BUSINESS RATES RETENTION PILOT 2018/19

Date Considered: 14 September 2017

- 1 At its meeting on 14 September 2017 the Council Overview & Scrutiny Committee were informed of an additional item placed on the Cabinet agenda of 26 September 2017 regarding a business rate retention pilot for 2018/19.
- 2 Due to the application deadline falling before the October 2017 Cabinet meeting, Members were informed by the Deputy Chief Finance Officer that the Leader would request delegated authority to deal with the application at the September 2017 Cabinet meeting.
- 3 The Committee recognised the need for this arrangement and the Chairman took Members' views on the Council applying to be part of the pilot. The Committee were clear that, after heavy lobbying for additional funding and the current financial challenge, it was imperative that the Council accepted the proposal.

THE COMMITTEE:

Supports the Council's application, under delegated authority to the Leader, to join the Business Rates Retention Pilot 2018/19 alongside the 11 Surrey District & Borough Councils.

KAY HAMMOND
Chairman of the Overview & Budget Scrutiny Committee

