

## **Follow-up Written Answers from Overview and Scrutiny Committee 9 November 2022**

### **Agenda Item 5**

#### **Organisation Portfolio Holders Update**

**Question 1 – Procurement** - Members asked how much of current procurement is carried out via the Surrey County Council portal.

#### **Written Answer**

Orbis is a public sector partnership between East Sussex County Council, Surrey County Council, and Brighton & Hove City Council. All procurement matters of a value between £10,000 - £213,477 is carried out by Orbis Procurement.

**Question 2 – Revenues, Benefit & Fraud** - Members asked for details of the external agreements with other local authorities which had brought £570k of income.

#### **Written Answer**

The local authorities, housing providers and other organisations that contributed to income in 2021/22 were –

Bracknell Forest Council  
Companion CARE Vets  
Escalla Ltd  
Guildford BC  
London Borough of Barnet  
Moat Housing  
Mole Valley DC  
Mount Green Housing Association  
Moving On Ltd  
NEC Software Solutions Ltd  
Raven Housing Trust  
Rosebery Housing  
Rother DC  
Runnymede BC  
Spelthorne BC  
Surrey Heath BC  
Waverley BC  
YMCA Downlink  
YMCA East Surrey  
YMCA St Paul's

**Question 3 – Land Charges** - Members asked how the land charges function would impact income generation.

**Written Answer**

Officers will provide a written response once more information has been received from HM Land Registry.

**Question 4 – Rented Properties** - Members asked the level of business rates the Council is saving due to Stripey Stork occupying Beech House.

**Written Answer**

The amount saved on business rates due to Stripey Stork occupying Beech House is £87,500.

**Question 5 – Rented Properties** - Members asked for details of the length of time vacant properties had been vacant.

**Written Answer**

The written response to this question is deemed to be exempt.

The response has been emailed to Members of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee but is not for general publication.