

**Statement by the Cabinet Member for Corporate Management**

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**Council Business Plan**

The first draft of the Council Business Plan is being revised in the light of comments made at the Cabinet Meeting. A report will shortly go to a Scrutiny Committee for review prior to going back to Cabinet. This plan will set out the aims and priorities and key performance indicators for the Council over the term 2011 to 2015.

**Shared Services**

On Thursday 30 June 2011 Hambleton and Richmondshire District Councils organised a 'Shared Services Conference' at Leeds where in the region of forty delegates attended. Irene Lucas the former Director General of Local Government chaired the Conference. It was good to share experiences. In addition to a presentation by Hambleton and Richmond, leading officers from North Lincolnshire Council, Chorley Borough Council, Local Government and development and Castlerigg Consulting made contributions. It is clear that 'Shared Services' of various kinds is very much an issue being considered by many Local Authorities. During the current year it is anticipated that Hambleton District Council will make savings of just over £1M.

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