Notes of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee Social Inclusion Working Group <u>15th June 2015</u>

Present:Councillors: David Skipp (Chairman) Roger Clarke, David
Coldwell, Matthew French, Ben Staines, Tricia Youtan

Apologies: Councillor: Alan Britten, Tim Lloyd

Also present: Councillor: Leonard Crosbie

1. <u>ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN</u>

Councillor David Skipp was elected as Chairman of the Working Group for the ensuing year.

2. <u>TIME OF MEETINGS</u>

The meetings of the Social Inclusion Working Group would be held at 5.30pm for the ensuing year.

3. <u>TO APPROVE AS CORRECT THE RECORD OF THE MEETING HELD</u> <u>ON 9TH MARCH 2015</u>

The minutes of 9th March 2015 were approved as a correct record of the meeting.

4. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CHAIRMAN OR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

There were no announcements.

6. <u>TO APPROVE THE WORKING GROUP'S TERMS OF REFERENCE</u>

The Terms of Reference were approved by the Working Group.

The Chairman highlighted that included in the Working Group's remit was the provision to review health matters, however, he explained that a separate Health Provision Working Group had been established, emerging from the Social Inclusion Working Group, which primarily reviewed the services available at Horsham Hospital, GP services and the overall health provision in the District.

7. <u>UPDATE ON THE POSITION OF THE WORKING GROUP AND</u> <u>FUTURE REVIEWS</u>

The new Working Group noted that the previous Group had recently completed its review of the effectiveness of the provision for local residents who are in financial hardship. A number of recommendations had been made to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee at the end of the review, which had subsequently been made to the relevant Cabinet Members. The Working Group was therefore awaiting the responses to the recommendations before it was able to proceed. It was anticipated that the replies would be presented to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee on 6th July 2015, for consideration.

The Working Group discussed the recommendations and was looking forward to receiving the replies from the Cabinet Members and would then consider any outstanding issues.

In addition, a suggested new item for the Group's work programme was to help new Members understand more about the CenSus partnership.

The meeting finished at 6.28pm having commenced at 5.30pm.

CHAIRMAN