

Benefits identified at a meeting of Executive Members of SHDC, the Chairs and Vice Chairs of WDBC and the Senior Leadership Group from TDC on 9 September 2014

- Chance to build our model around customer need
- Better service at less cost
- More focus on customer
- Exciting opportunities for staff – better life balance
- Securing our future
- Achieve strategic critical mass
- Locality working – benefit to residents
- Greater buying power
- Cross border working opportunities
- Better use of resources
- Build on existing experience & shared expertise
- Better services for residents
- Savings- economies of scale
- Added value – best practise
- Better communications
- Opportunities for staff development
- Resilience/ sustainability
- Better than salami slicing
- Long term strategic alliance/ resilience for our part of Devon
- Selling our approach
- Stronger to deliver priorities in rural communities- e.g. alliance to make more bids
- Equal “valued partnership in relationship
- Greater capacity re specialisms
- Increased income opportunities
- Shared knowledge & expertise e.g. bidding for grants
- Energise the Councils
- “masters of our own destiny”
- Strategic lobbying e.g. transport investment