

## First joint management

Characteristic(s) / CSF(s): Managing Expenditure

## **Problem and Approach**

- This initiative was the first outcome of the need common to both small councils to preserve essential local services in the face of reduced central government funding. With the appointment of a joint chief executive for the two councils, the business case for a new single management structure and services integration was formally given the go-ahead by members in July 2007.
- A two-year services integration programme began, showing where savings could be made in joining teams together and how services could be improved by applying best practices.
- The individual service reviews themselves and were designed to investigate the joint delivery of each council service

## **Outcomes**

- The changes mounted to a cumulative net saving to 2012/13 of £6.4 million
- Of the individual service reviews, environmental health, had savings of £106,000 in 2010/11
- The consolidation of the Southwick and Lancing housing offices into Adur civic centre as part of the Adur Housing review saved £52,000

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