Item 4

Tyne and Wear Economic Development Joint Committee

18th March 2010

Retirement of the Finance Officer

Report of the Secretary to the Joint Committee

The purpose of this report is to note the retirement of Keith Beardmore, Finance Officer to the Committee.

Sunderland City Council has approved a request from its Director of Financial Resources and, also, Finance Officer to this Committee, Mr. Keith Beardmore, for early retirement. This will take effect on 30th March, 2010.

Mr. George Blyth (the City's current Deputy Director of Financial Resources) was redesignated as the Officer with 151 responsibilities for the City Council. Members are therefore also asked to note this change of responsibility.

The Committee is recommended to note the re-designation of Mr. G. Blyth as the Council's Interim Director of Financial Resources and the responsible officer under Section 151 Local Government Act 1972.