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IMPLICATIONS/CONSULTATIONS:

Contribution to the Council's Corporate Priorities/ Objectives	This report addresses issues that are relevant to all priorities
Consultation:	No consultation specifically required.
Legal:	This report does not have any specific legal implications. The Shared Service is operated according the a signed, legal, partnership agreement that has been signed by both East Herts and Stevenage Borough Councils.
Financial:	The report details some key metrics arising from the Shared Service, including the levels of Council Tax, Business Rates and collection rates for both of these. There are no specific financial implications arising from this report.
Human Resource:	East Herts employs the staff who are part of the Shared Service for Revenues and Benefits.
Risk Management:	The report describes the risks, opportunities and challenges that the Shared Service faces over the short and medium to longer term. Risk management forms part of the consideration of the Partnership Board that meets on a regular basis.
Health and Wellbeing	The Shared Revenues and Benefits service administers benefits for residents and businesses within East Herts and Stevenage. The impact of ensuring effective management of these benefits contributes to the Health and Wellbeing of those affected.