

<b>Report to:</b>	<b>HEALTHWATCH BLACKPOOL</b>
<b>Relevant Officer:</b>	Steven Garner, Healthwatch Blackpool Manager
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	12 June 2016

## FINANCE REPORT

### 1.0 Income and Expenditure Accounts

- 1.1 The five month Healthwatch Accounts Breakdown (Appendix 7(a)) shows the organisational costs for the financial year so far.
- 1.2 The report notes a small surplus, to be added to the balance carried forward at the end of the 2015/ 2016 financial year.
- 1.3 Spending on expenses has seen an increase following the Annual Conference, which required more petrol, accommodation and rail travel cost than was required the previous year. This will be built into 2017/ 2018 finances as the Conference is again being held in Nottingham.
- 1.4 There has been an increase in promotional costs as we have placed a sign on the car park monolith at Empowerment offices to increase Healthwatch Blackpool visibility and the registered offices sign has been placed at the door of the building.
- 1.5 Printing costs (in particular colour printing) remain high, although lower so far than 2015/ 2016 and an emphasis of cost on this front has been noted.

### 2.0 Expected expenditure

- 2.1 Future high expenditure will include the imminent ordering of clothing ahead of the volunteering drive. Quotes have been given, however we are currently negotiating cost ahead of placing an order for branded polo shirts and fleeces.
- 2.2 Online advertising has proved to be successful on a specific wide carers consultation and so this method may be replicated on similar area-wide consultations.