

# RSN Seminar: Rural Fair Funding Online via Zoom 11:00-13:00, Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024

## Agenda

### 11:00 Welcome & Introduction to the topic of Rural Fair Funding Kerry Booth, Chief Executive, <u>Rural Services Network</u>

#### 11:05 Current local authority funding formula

A brief presentation interspersed with polls and delegate debate.

#### Polls:

- 1. Is your organisation having to make financial cuts for 2024/25? Yes, no, don't know.
- 2. How are you balancing the budget? Changes to staffing, Changes to services, Changes to charges, Other.

#### 11:30 Impact of unfair funding on wider public sector

Finding from Rural Market Town Survey and The National Council for Voluntary Organisation research combined with a poll and delegate debate.

#### Poll:

3. Compared to 3 years ago how would you rate current public services Much better, Slightly better, Unchanged, Slightly worse, Much worse.

#### **12:00** Challenges and solutions to deal with funding shortfalls Delegate debate and sharing of best practice on how organisations are meeting budget challenges.

#### 13:00 Close of Seminar

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