**IRRV Thames Valley Association Branch**

**Benefits Day 1st December 2015 Oxford City Council**

The Thames Valley Executive is pleased to present a morning of topical presentations from the Benefits world including an update from the DWP on the latest position on Universal Credit, FERIS and LADS LCTS.

We will hear first-hand on how Welfare Reform / Benefit Cap and the roll out of UC are going in the busy world of Oxford City.

There will also be an opportunity to hear from a LOCTA representative regarding the effective use of their product in linking into the DWP and HMRC for overpayment recovery.

Finally we will get an update from Q2 regarding an exciting development working in partnership with the IRRV on a bench marking and resource planning tool which will be available very soon.

We are extremely grateful to our five speakers for giving their time to speak at this event and we have no doubt that the content of the morning will be exceptionally interesting and thought provoking.

The event will be held in the Court Room at the Town Hall in Oxford town centre. Lunch will be provided and attendance is free to IRRV members. Non-members are very welcome for a charge of only £20.00 per head.

**As lunch is being provided at this event, please can you register your attendance at this meeting by emailing Sarah.Kingston@bracknell-forest.gov.uk by 27 November, so that the appropriate lunch order can be placed.**

The proposed programme for the day is as follows:

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| Time | Content |
| 10:00 | **Registration and Coffee** |
| 10:30 | **Welcome from Thames Valley President**  Kevin Strong |
| 10:40 | [http://tse1.mm.bing.net/th?id=OIP.M5822583002e0bf5c93f9d2b22f1f188bH0&w=100&h=105&c=7&rs=1&qlt=90&pid=3.1&rm=2](http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=oxford+city+council+logo&id=3FEAEED46ADD34B5AC3364A00EDAC61AD5170757&FORM=IQFRBA)Paul Wilding - Revenues & Benefits Programme Manager  Ewelina Jankowska – Welfare Reform Team  Oxford City Council   * **The Benefit Cap and continued roll out UC & Welfare Reform- An Oxford Perspective** |
| 11:10 | Debbie Whetton - Department for Works & Pension Housing Delivery  [http://tse1.mm.bing.net/th?id=OIP.Ma491b1a38ca67642dbcd523f6aee1c44o0&w=120&h=105&c=7&rs=1&qlt=90&pid=3.1&rm=2](http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=dwp+logo+download&id=4B873812D1EC33E2E27589450436413A82D203DD&FORM=IQFRBA)  **An update on the following from the DWP**   * **UC/LADS Data sharing LCTS** * **FERIS** |
| 11:30 | **Break** |
| 11:50 | Kim Shaw MAG:NET Solutions Ltd  **Presentation on :**  **The LoCTA Benefits Search** has a unique link to the DWP debt recovery system which provides additional benefit information not held in Authority records. The link provides HMRC employer information (P45), where available which proves invaluable in the pursuit of Direct Earning Attachments”. |
| 12:10 | Steve Taylor Q2  **Update on IRRV joint initiative** |
| 12:35 | **Opportunity For all to discuss Budget Announcement 25th November 2015** facilitated by Kevin Strong |
| 12:50 | **Finish** – followed by lunch which is provided by |

**Location**

The meeting will be held in the Court Room at the Town Hall in Oxford town centre. Please be advised that there is no onsite parking so it is recommended to use the Park and Ride services when coming into Oxford.

Directions to the Town Hall can be found using the following link: <http://www.oxford.gov.uk/PageRender/decVanilla/Where_To_Find_Our_Offices_occw.htm>

**Not an IRRV Member**

Non IRRV members are more than welcome to attend this meeting; however, as stated above there will be a small charge of £20.00.

The IRRV and its associations run a full programme of events throughout the year designed specifically for Revenues, Benefits and Valuation professionals including professional qualifications, training and forum sessions on various subjects to name a few. If you are interested in becoming a member please visit the institute’s website at: <http://www.irrv.net/membership/index.asp>