

AGENDA ITEM: 4

**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD
AD HOC SCRUTINY PANEL**

9 DECEMBER 2008

MIDDLESBROUGH LIBRARIES - INTRODUCTION

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To present proposals to the Ad Hoc Scrutiny Panel regarding the format for today's meeting.

BACKGROUND

2. The panel has been directed by the Overview and Scrutiny Board (OSB) to undertake an examination into the review that is taking place of Middlesbrough's libraries, to explore the issues and report to OSB as it considers appropriate.
3. This meeting is intended to be exploratory and representatives from the Regeneration Department will attend to outline the history and issues associated with the review of libraries.
4. The Panel is advised to determine if the information and issues presented forms the basis for further investigation and a subsequent meeting. Should this be the case the Panel are requested to identify their lines of enquiry.

RECOMMENDATION

5. Members of the panel are recommended to receive the information to be presented by the service area and undertake appropriate enquiries which will assist the panel in determining their terms of reference and lines of enquiry

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

6. Should the panel wish to explore this topic further, Members are advised to determine the date and time of the next meeting in accord with the agreed lines of enquiry.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

7. No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

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