

COUNCIL

19 OCTOBER 2016

SCRUTINY PROGRESS REPORT

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To update the position in respect of the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Board (OSB) and scrutiny panels. The current position regarding progress made by the Board and each of the panels is set out below.

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

2. Since the last Council update, the Overview and Scrutiny Board met on 13 September 2016 to consider the following:
 - a) Report of the South Tees Scrutiny Joint Committee – Urgent Care Services
 - b) Report of the Economic Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Panel – Capital Programme Project Management

SCRUTINY PANEL UPDATES

3. The updated position in respect of the work of each of the Council's scrutiny panels is shown below.

Children and Learning Scrutiny Panel

4. The panel met on 5 October 2016. The Assistant Director for Safeguarding and Children's Care was in attendance at the meeting to provide the scrutiny panel with a general introduction/overview of family and friends care (kinship care). The Panel also agreed the Terms of Reference for the review.

Community Safety and Leisure Scrutiny Panel

5. The panel met on 12 September 2016 to receive an overview on the topic of Street Beggars and to establish the Terms of Reference for the review.

Economic Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Panel

6. The panel met on 14 September 2016, at North Ormesby Community Hub to receive further information in relation to its current investigation of Community Hubs.

7. The panel's next meeting is scheduled for 12 October 2016 when a draft final report on Community Hubs will be considered. The panel will also receive information on proposed commercial development in Centre Square, Middlesbrough.

Environment Scrutiny Panel

8. The panel last met on the 1 September 2016. At that meeting, the panel received an update regarding the previous scrutiny topic of North Ormesby Market.
9. The panel also received an update on progress made from North Ormesby Neighbourhood Development Trust (NONDET) who had since April 1st 2016, taken over the management of the North Ormesby Market from Middlesbrough Borough Council under a Service Level Agreement.
10. The Assistant Director of Environment, Property and Commercial Services was in attendance at the meeting to provide members with a 'setting the scene' presentation in respect of the panel's new topic of Commercialisation.

Health Scrutiny Panel

11. The panel met on 27 September 2016 to discuss the Final Report in respect of Cancer Screening and Reducing Cancer Related Deaths.

Better Health Programme Joint Health Scrutiny Committee

12. The committee met on 8 September to receive information on the programme's phase 3 engagement, further evidence requested by the Committee in respect of performance across the key specialities within the Better Health Programme, including patient flows and capacity across specialities and A&E and details of Sir Bruce Keogh's report into Urgent and Emergency Care. The Health Scrutiny Panel will be hosting a seminar for all Members about the Better Health Programme at their next meeting on 25 October at 10am.

Social Care and Adult Services Scrutiny Panel

13. The panel had met on 8 August 2016 to receive an update in respect of the panel's previous topic of The Provision of Approved Mental Health Professionals (AMHPs). The panel also met on 14 September 2016 to receive an update on progress made with the implementation of agreed actions in respect of the panel's previous topic of Safeguarding Adults in Residential Care, which was considered by the Executive on 16 June 2015. .

SCRUTINY REPORTS SUBMITTED TO EXECUTIVE

14. Since the last update to Council, no scrutiny panel reports have been submitted to, and approved by, the Executive.

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