MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL



AGENDA ITEM 8

COUNCIL

Report title	Scrutiny Progress Report
Chief Executive or Director	Strategic Director of Finance, Governance and Support
Date	5 September 2018
Purpose of the report	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.
Summary of the report	The report provides an update in respect of issues considered at each individual Scrutiny Panel and the Overview and Scrutiny Board.
If this is a confidential report, which exemption(s) from the Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972 applies?	NO
Decision(s) asked for	That the report be noted
Impact of decision(s)	Members will be able to keep abreast of the work carried out through the Scrutiny Process

What is the purpose of this report?

1. To update the position in respect of the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Board (OSB) and scrutiny panels.

Why is this report necessary?

2. The report is necessary so that Members are aware of the work being carried out by the individual Scrutiny Panels and the Overview and Scrutiny Board.

What decision(s) are being asked for?

- 3. That Council note the report.
- 4. The current position regarding progress made by the Board and each of the panels is set out below.

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

Since the last Council update, the Overview and Scrutiny Board met on the following dates:

3 July 2018:

- a) Budget and Balanced Scorecards Position at Year End 2017/2018
- b) New Report Format
- c) Scrutiny Work Programme 2018-2019
- d) Executive Forward Plan
- e) Scrutiny Panel Progress Reports

2 August 2018:

Call-In - A172 Dixons Bank/ Stainton Way Highway Improvement Scheme - The decision of the Board was not to refer the application back to the Executive.

SCRUTINY PANEL UPDATES

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

Adult Social Care and Services Scrutiny Panel

The Scrutiny Panel met on 25 July 2018.

The Director of Adult Social Care and Health Integration and the Director of Public Health and Public Protection provided the Panel with an update regarding the integration of Health and Social Care.

The Scrutiny Panel commenced its investigation into 'The LGBT Community and Elderly Care', receiving information from the Director of Adult Social Care and Health Integration and representatives of Hart Gables, a non-profit organisation based in Teesside that provided support, advice and information to the LGBT community in the Tees Valley area. The Scrutiny Panel received information in respect of an 'Age with Pride' project that had been commissioned and supported by Ageing Better Middlesbrough.

The Panel was provided with an update on the matters that had been considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Board on 3 July 2018.

Ad Hoc Scrutiny Panel

The Panel was scheduled to meet on 17 July 2018 to receive information about Council Tax Collection processes. However the meeting was inquorate and a further meeting will be scheduled.

Children and Young People's Learning Scrutiny Panel

The Scrutiny Panel met on 16 July 2018. At the meeting the Scrutiny Panel received information from Heather Black, Development Officer at Together Middlesbrough and Cleveland on the Feast of Fun Holiday Provision Project. The Scrutiny Panel heard about the work currently being carried out by the Feast of Fun Project and were also informed of future challenges in regards to school holiday provision.

Children and Young People's Social Care and Services Scrutiny Panel

The Scrutiny Panel met on 31 July 2018. The Director of Prevention and Partnerships, Children's Services, was in attendance at the meeting and provided the Panel with an overview of current Early Help and Prevention Services in Middlesbrough. Information on the four work streams of the service – School Readiness; Family Casework; Family Partnership; and Work Readiness – was provided including evidence of impact.

Culture and Communities Scrutiny Panel

The Panel met on 23 July 2018. The Corporate Strategy Manager and Head of Public Protection, were in attendance at the meeting and provided the Panel with an update on the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA).

The Community Safety Officer- PREVENT/ Reducing reoffending and Head of Stronger Communities/ Channel Chair were also in attendance at the meeting, and provided the Panel with an overview of PREVENT actions.

Economic Development and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

The Panel is scheduled to meet on 12 September 2018.

Health Scrutiny Panel

The Panel is scheduled to meet on 4 September 2018.

Tees Valley Health Scrutiny Joint Committee

The Committee met on 18 June 2018 and considered the following:

- Work Programme 2018-2019
- Roseberry Park

North East Joint Health Scrutiny Committee

The Committee met on 21 June 2018 and considered the following:

- Work Plan for the 2018/19 Municipal Year
- Durham County Council Adults Wellbeing and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Member Feedback / Recommendations on NHS England's proposed review of Specialised Vascular Services across the North East
- Specialist Services Update (Neonatal Intensive Chair) update letter from the Chair

Durham, Darlington, Teesside, Hambleton, Richmond and Whitby STP Joint Scrutiny Committee

The Committee met on 13 June 2018 and considered the following:

• Durham Darlington and Teesside, Hambleton, Richmondshire and Whitby STP - Update by Alan Foster, Lead Officer, Durham Darlington and Teesside Hambleton Richmondshire and Whitby STP, focussing on:

- The future of Sustainability and Transformation Plans:
- Development of an Integrated Care Partnership/System/Network and what this means in relation to the STP;
- Progress updates on the STP workstreams including the Better Health Programme/Acute Hospitals Model development.

Tees Valley Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Committee met on 19 July 2018 and considered the following:

- Portfolio Update Mayor Ben Houchen
- Overview and Scrutiny Diversity Study
- Announcements from the Interim Managing Director
- Forward Plan

The Committee is due to meet on 13 September 2018 at 10.00am in Cavendish House, Stockton on Tees, TS17 6QY

SCRUTINY REPORTS SUBMITTED TO EXECUTIVE

Since the last update to Council, the following Scrutiny Panel reports are due to be submitted to Executive:

- Ad Hoc Scrutiny Panel Council Budget 2018-2019 and Proposed Savings;
- Social Care and Adult Services Scrutiny Panel Reducing Loneliness and/or Social Isolation in Later Life

URGENT DECISIONS

Since the last update to Council, no urgent decisions have been made.

Other potential decisions and why these have not been recommended

5. No other options were considered.

Impact(s) of recommended decision(s)

Legal

6. There are no legal implications as a result of the proposed appointments.

Financial

7. There are no financial implications arising from this report

The Mayor's Vision for Middlesbrough

8. The report is line with the Mayor's vision for Middlesbrough

Policy Framework

9. The report does not impact on the overall budget and policy framework.

Wards

10. The report does not impact on wards

Risk

11. Not applicable.

Equality and Diversity

12. An Impact Assessment has not been completed, as the changes will not adversely impact on any individual group.

Actions to be taken to implement the decision(s)

13. Not applicable

Background papers

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

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