Middlesbrough Council



AGENDA ITEM: ⁷

HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL

26 JUNE 2007

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD UPDATE

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To ensure that Members are aware of what took place at the Overview and Scrutiny Board Meeting on 5 June 2007.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAST OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

2. At the previous meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Board, the following matters were discussed and considered necessary to feed back to the panel.

5 June 2007

AGENDA ITEM TITLE	ACTION/COMMENTARY
Executive Feedback – Community Engagement	The purpose of the report was to provide feedback to the Overview & Scrutiny Board on the decisions taken by the Deputy Mayor in respect of the report on Community Engagement. The information contained within the report was noted.
Audit Commission – Audit and Inspection Letter – March 2007	The purpose of the report was to provide an overall summary of the Audit Commission's assessment work. It draws on the findings and conclusions from the audit of the Council and from a wider analysis of the Council's performance and its improvement over the last year, as measured through the Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA) framework.
	Members were informed that the public expressed concerns about teenagers hanging around, public transport and waste collection. The Chair requested that these issues be considered for the scrutiny work programme.
	Members noted the content of the report.

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Pathways to Healthcare – The Road Map to New Hospital, Primary & Community Services & Facilities for Teesside.	The purpose of the report was to inform Members of the Secretary of State's approval to develop a new hospital in the area north of the Tees. Members were informed of how the hospital will be a catalyst for radical change and improvement in the way health care services are delivered for the people of Teesside. Information on the direction of the project and the anticipated timescales was provided. The precise road map is heavily dependent on whether the funding required is secured under the PFI route or whether, preferably, public funding was available,. Likewise, the timescales for delivering the new hospital will be influenced by the funding route. OSB noted the content of the report and Members were in agreement that the Board should be updated on any project developments when appropriate. It is anticipated that the project will require substantial involvement from Health Scrutiny.

COUNCILLOR DRYDEN CHAIR OF THE HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL

BACKGROUND PAPERS

The following background papers were used in the preparation of this report: -

(i) The agenda papers of the Overview and Scrutiny Board meeting of 5 June 2007.

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