



**AGENDA ITEM:**

**HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL**

**3 APRIL 2008**

**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 11 March 2008.

**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.

**11 March 2008**

<b>AGENDA ITEM TITLE</b>	<b>ACTION/COMMENTARY</b>
<b>2007/2008 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Revenue Budget Outturn</b>	<p>A report was presented to the Board providing an estimate of the annual outturn for 2007/2008 based on the third quarter review of revenue expenditure against the current year's revenue budget.</p> <p>The projected outturn position for 2007/2008, based on the third quarter review, is a net saving of -£253, 000.</p>

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<p><b>Executive Forward Programme</b></p>	<p>The purpose of the report was to provide the opportunity for the Board to consider whether any item within the Executive Forward Work Programme should be considered by the Board or referred to a scrutiny panel.</p> <p>Arising from one of the scheduled meetings between the Executive Office and the Scrutiny Team, it was agreed that a more detailed account, of the issues scheduled to be addressed by the Executive, should be provided to the Board. It was also considered appropriate for future reports to go in the name of the Executive Office Manager and that he attends Board meetings to present it. These proposals were also considered and supported by the Executive at its meeting on 12 February 2008.</p> <p>A recommendation was made by the Board that the Executive FWP should include a column that indicates matters, which have already been identified for scrutiny panel consideration.</p>
<p><b>Middlesbrough Council Strategic Plan 2008-2011 Proposed Content and Timetable</b></p>	<p>The report set out the proposed content for the Council's new three-year Strategic Plan covering the period 2008-2011, highlighting specific changes to the content and structure of the document.</p> <p>The Board considered and noted the information provided.</p>
<p><b>Public Transport in Middlesbrough – Final Report of Economic Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Panel</b></p>	<p>The overall aim of the scrutiny investigation was to undertake a review of the current issues facing public transport in Middlesbrough by considering public expectations and to consider areas of improvement.</p> <p>The report and its recommendations were approved and will be referred to the Executive.</p>
<p><b>Consideration of Request for Scrutiny Review</b></p>	<p>The purpose of the report was to inform the Board of a proposed scrutiny review, which had been requested by a Member.</p> <p>The Board was asked to consider undertaking an investigation into mail communications delivered to Members at home and the internal mail to departments.</p> <p>The Board considered the appropriateness of commissioning a scrutiny review into the suggested topic. Instead of incorporating the topic into the work programme, the Board requested that the Members' Office Manager meet with the appropriate officer from Mouchel Business Services to investigate this issue. There is an expectation that the Members' Office Manager will then produce a report on the outcome of this meeting and present it to the Board.</p>
<p><b>Scrutiny Panels – Progress Reports</b></p>	<p>A report from each Chair was submitted outlining the progress on current activities.</p>

**COUNCILLOR E. 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 11 March 2008.

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