



**AGENDA ITEM 7**

## **HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL**

**15 JANUARY 2009**

### **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 3 December 2008 and the Overview and Scrutiny Board meeting on 16 December 2008.

#### **PROCEEDINGS OF THE 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.

#### **3 December 2008**

<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>	<b>ACTION/COMMENTARY</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Revenue Budget Projected Outturn</b>	<p>The purpose of the report was to present to the Board an estimate of the annual Projected Outturn for 2008/2009 based on the second quarter review of revenue expenditure against the current year's Revenue Budget.</p> <p>The Board considered and noted the content of the report.</p>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Capital Monitoring and Review</b>	<p>The purpose of the report was to provide the Board with an update on the Council's capital programme (2008/2009 to 2012/2013) based on the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter review of capital expenditure.</p> <p>The Board considered and noted the contents of the report and the overall capital programme.</p>

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<p><b>Consolidated Performance Clinic Report (April – September 2008)</b></p>	<p>The purpose of the report was to provide the OSB with an overview of Council performance for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2008.</p> <p>The report was structured as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview of performance</li> <li>• Performance against Strategic Priorities</li> <li>• Summary of performance in the suite of National Indicators</li> <li>• Summary of other performance</li> <li>• Conclusion</li> </ul> <p>The Board noted the content of the report.</p>

**16 December 2008**

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<p><b>Attendance of Executive Members at the Overview and Scrutiny Board</b></p>	<p>The purpose of the report was to provide information in respect of the scheduled attendance of Members of the Executive at the Overview and Scrutiny Board.</p> <p>The content of the report was noted.</p>
<p><b>Executive Member for Children, Families and Learning</b></p>	<p>Councillor Mike Carr attended the meeting to provide the Board with information on his aims, aspirations, objectives and priorities.</p> <p>The Board was updated on the emerging issues, detailed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children’s health – obesity, alcohol/drug misuse</li> <li>• Teenage pregnancy – sex and relationship education in schools</li> <li>• Low educational attainment – performance in schools and narrowing the gap between low and high achievers, enjoy and achieve initiative</li> <li>• Staying safe – safeguarding and early intervention</li> <li>• Achieving economic wellbeing – Trying to reduce the number of young people who are not in education, employment or training (NEETS)</li> </ul> <p>Cllr Carr identified his personal priorities, these are detailed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To reduce the level of poverty in the town</li> <li>• To increase the number of students achieving at a high level</li> </ul> <p>The remaining Executive Members have been scheduled to attend OSB over the course of the municipal year.</p>
<p><b>Medium Term Financial Position 2009/2010 – 2012/2013 and Revenue Budget 2009/2010</b></p>	<p>The purpose of the report was to outline the medium term financial position for 2009/2010 and 2012/2013 and set out the estimated draft 2009/2010 revenue budget.</p> <p>The Board noted the content of the report.</p>

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<b>Middlesbrough Partnership</b>	<p>The purpose of the report was to provide the Board with an overview of the partnership and how it operates.</p> <p>The content of the report was noted. Further reports relating to Middlesbrough Partnership will be presented to the Board in due course.</p>
<b>Executive Feedback</b> – <b>Audiology Services</b>	<p>The Board was provided with formal notification of the Executive’s decisions in respect of the following scrutiny report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Audiology Services</li> </ul> <p>The Executive approved the service response.</p>
<b>Executive Forward Work Programme</b>	<p>The purpose of the report was to provide the Board with the opportunity to discuss whether the Board or a scrutiny panel should consider any item within the Executive Forward Work Programme.</p> <p>The Board considered the content of the work programme.</p>
<b>Economic Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Panel Final Report – Community Centres</b>	<p>The overall aim of the Scrutiny investigation was to undertake a review of both the Council’s Community Centres and its Youth and Community Centres. The panel assessed their effectiveness and considered if they were providing value for money. The panel also examined what was being done to support the involvement of the community in the running and management of their local community centres and any areas of good practice.</p> <p>The report and its recommendations were approved and will be referred to the Executive.</p>
<b>Social Care &amp; Adult Services Scrutiny Panel Final Report – Improving Levels of Employment for People with Disabilities</b>	<p>The overall aim of the Scrutiny investigation was to look at how the Council and its partners are working to support people with disabilities into paid and meaningful employment, to ensure that disabled people have the opportunities and support to enable them to enter the world of work.</p> <p>The report and its recommendations were approved and will be referred to the Executive.</p>
<b>Consideration of Request for Scrutiny Review - Open Spaces</b>	<p>The purpose of the report was to inform the Board of the proposed Scrutiny review that had been requested by a member of the public.</p> <p>The Board considered the reasons behind the request for a review into open spaces and agreed that the issues raised are covered by the Council’s Green Spaces Strategy and development control policies.</p>

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<b>Consideration of Request for Scrutiny Review - BME Community Network</b>	<p>The purpose of the report was to inform the Board of the proposed Scrutiny review that had been requested by a member of the public.</p> <p>The Board considered the reasons behind the request for a review into the BME Network and agreed that the item would be deferred until the next meeting, in order to seek further information/clarification on the issues raised.</p>
<b>Scrutiny Panel Progress Reports</b>	<p>A report of the Chair of each scrutiny panel was submitted outlining the progress on current activities.</p>
<b>Any Other Business</b>	<p>Following agreement of the panel Chair, it was decided that the Children and Learning Scrutiny Panel will undertake a review on the issue detailed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Play scheme provision for children with disabilities</li> </ul>

**COUNCILLOR EDDIE DRYDEN**

**CHAIR OF THE HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL**

### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

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

- The agenda and papers of the Overview and Scrutiny Board meeting of 3 December 2008.
- The agenda and papers of the Overview and Scrutiny Board meeting of 16 December 2008.

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