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AGENDA ITEM 5

9 NOVEMBER 2011

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD UPDATE

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To ensure that Scrutiny Panel Members are aware of what took place at the last meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Board, held on 18 October 2011.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAST OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

2. The following matters were discussed at the last meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Board:

AGENDA ITEM	ACTION/COMMENTARY
Attendance of the Executive Member for Public Health and Sport	The Board was advised that the purpose of the attendance of Executive Members was to hold individual Members to account and for each Executive Member to present their aims and objectives, any emerging issues in their portfolio and to highlight any areas of concern. The Executive Member for Public Health and Sport made particular
	 reference to the following: The Council's involvement in the major health issues facing Middlesbrough. Issues around the public health agenda - including how likely additional responsibilities for local authorities would be progressed. The possible impact of the curent budget reduction exercise on sport and leisure facilities. How initiatives developed as part of the Healthy Towns Programme could be continued and developed following the demise of the initiative.
Executive Feedback	The Board was provided with formal notification of the Executive's decisions in respect of the following scrutiny reports: Taxi Facilities - Crossfell Road. Designation of James Cook University Hospital as a Major Trauma Centre. OSB noted the content of each of the reports.

Medium Term Financial Plan	The purpose of the report was to outline the medium term financial position for 2012-13 to 2014-15 and set out a draft 2012-13 Revenue Budget. The report had been based on information from the current year's revenue budget and the updated position regarding the Central Government
	Spending Review and Local Government Finance Settlements.
Consideration of Requests for Scrutiny Reviews	The purpose of the report was to consider requests submitted by the public/Members for scrutiny reviews, as follows: • Affordable Housing. • Erimus Housing - Removal of Asbestos. It was agreed that both of the above topics should be considered on a 'one-off' basis at a special meeting of the OSB.
Scrutiny Panel - Progress Reports	Progress/update reports were presented to the Board in respect of each of the Scrutiny Panels.

COUNCILLOR EDDIE DRYDEN CHAIR OF 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 18 October 2011

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