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**AGENDA ITEM 5** 

# HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL 28 MARCH 2012

# **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 6 March 2012.

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAST MEETINGS OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

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

AGENDA ITEM	ACTION/COMMENTARY
Attendance of the The Mayor	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 Mayor made particular reference to the following:  Placing a particular focus on ensuring the Council is fit for purpose in a very difficult financial climate  Addressing the 'Benefits Culture' in Middlesbrough  Continued work to ensure Middlesbrough is a destination for people to visit  Improving the variety of housing stock in Middlesbrough, with a particular reference to increasing the numbers of larger houses  Working with certain families to improve outcomes
Executive Forward Work Programme	The purpose of the report was to provide the Board with the opportunity to discuss whether any item within the Executive Forward Work Programme should be considered by the Board or referred to a scrutiny panel.  The Board considered the content of the Executive Forward Work Programme.

Executive Feedback	The Board was provided with formal notification of the Executive's decisions in respect of the following scrutiny reports:  No Health without Mental Health; Enterprise Zones
Review of Financial Inclusion Strategy	The purpose of the report was to inform the Board of the plans of Middlesbrough Partnership's Financial Inclusion Group (FIG) to review Middlesbrough Partnership's Financial Inclusion Strategy.
Final Report of the Environment Scrutiny Panel: Pavement and Carriageway Works by Utilities Companies	The report examined the legal powers, duties and responsibilities of the statutory undertakers in relation to pavement and carriage way works by utilities companies.  The final report and its recommendations were approved and will be referred to the Executive.
Energy Reduction – Update from Environment Scrutiny Panel	The report provided an update on the position with regard to Energy Reduction following the Panel's investigation of the topic in 2010.
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 10 January, 7 February and 6 March 2012

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