MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM 5

HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL 25 JULY 2014

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 (OSB).

PROCEEDINGS OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

2. The following matters were discussed at the OSB meeting held on 1 July 2014:

AGENDA ITEM	ACTION/COMMENTARY
Attendance of Executive Members - Executive Member for Regeneration	Councillor C Rooney, Executive Member for Regeneration attended the meeting to provide the Overview and Scrutiny Board with information on his portfolio area, aims, aspirations, objectives and priorities. The following issues were highlighted and discussed: • Changes to the portfolio in the past year. • Progress made on various projects, including Gresham, Middlehaven, Transporter Bridge, the Local Plan, provision of executive housing and the Holiday Inn development. • Proposals in respect of Southfield Road, the possible use of future lottery and European funding and Acklam Hall. • The possible use of the compulsory purchase option to address issues of problem housing. • Links with, and the role of, Tees Valley Unlimited (TVU). • The current consultation on improving rail links and the possible implications for Middlesbrough.
Executive Feedback	The purpose of the report was to inform the Board of Executive decisions in respect of the following:

	Environment Scrutiny Panel's update report on allotments.
	 Environment Scrutiny Panel's final report on income generation in Environmental Services. The Board noted the contents of the reports.
Parking Enforcement on Private Land	A report was submitted that highlighted issues relating to parking enforcement on private land in Middlesbrough. The report outlined a number of areas of concern. It was agreed to report to the Executive on the issues raised. A report on possible recommendations from OSB on the subject is to
	be submitted to the Board's next meeting.
Council Performance and Risk Update - 2013/14	A report was submitted which provided an overview of the position in respect of Council performance and key corporate risks at year end 2013/14.
2013/14	It was highlighted that it was anticipated that a report on the new balanced scorecard approach to performance would be submitted to the next meeting of OSB. Members also questioned areas where performance had been off target.
Access to GP Services - Final Report of the Health Scrutiny Panel	The Board considered the Health Scrutiny Panel's final report on this topic.
	The Board ordered that the findings and recommendations of the Health Scrutiny Panel be endorsed and referred to the Executive.
Scrutiny Work Programme - 2014/15I	The Board considered a report which outlined:
	Topics put forward by each of the scrutiny panels for inclusion in 2014/15 work programmes.
	 Possible topics for consideration by the Ad-Hoc Scrutiny Panel during the year.
	It was agreed to approve the scrutiny panels' work programmes as submitted and that the Ad-Hoc Scrutiny Panel would examine customer contact; the use of crisis funding; and volunteering in the Council.
Result of Call-In - Future of Netherfields Community Centre	A report was submitted that detailed the result of the recent call-in regarding the future of Netherfields Community Centre.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

• Agenda and papers of the Overview and Scrutiny Board meeting of 1 July 2014.

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