

MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM 5

HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL

13 JANUARY 2015

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 9 December 2014:

AGENDA ITEM	ACTION/COMMENTARY
Attendance of Executive Member for Education and Skills	<p>Councillor J Brunton, Executive Member for Education and Skills, attended the meeting to provide the Overview and Scrutiny Board with information on her portfolio area, aims, aspirations, objectives and priorities.</p> <p>The following were among the issues that were highlighted and discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Executive Member's background and involvement in local education for a number of years.• Progress made in the portfolio area.• An outline of areas of responsibility.• Visits that the Executive Member has made to all Middlesbrough schools to meet with head teachers and students.• The updated position on academies in Middlesbrough and the role of the local authority and Executive Member.• Issues around the need to ensure high quality vocational education provision.• Ensuring that the role of elected Members in local education is strengthened.

<p>First Capital Monitoring and Review Report - 2014</p>	<p>The submitted report updated the position on the approved Capital Programme to 2016-17.</p> <p>Changes to the programme since submission of the last monitoring report were highlighted.</p> <p>The Board noted the updated position.</p>
<p>Local Government Association (LGA) - National Procurement Strategy</p>	<p>OSB considered a report and presentation in respect of the LGA's National Procurement Strategy.</p> <p>Reference was made to how local authorities can support local businesses through their procurement of goods and services - particularly to maximise economic, social and environmental benefits.</p> <p>The board noted the progress that has been made.</p>
<p>Final Report of the Economic Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Panel - Wi-fi Town</p>	<p>The Board considered the Economic Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Panel's report on this topic.</p> <p>OSB approved the report for submission to the Executive subject to inclusion of two additional recommendations.</p>
<p>Remaining Items of Business</p>	<p>Consideration of the remaining agenda items (listed below) was deferred due to a fire alarm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scrutiny Processes - Update - Executive Forward Work Programme - Executive Feedback - Scrutiny Panels Progress Reports

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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 9 December 2014.

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