



## **OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD**

**13 OCTOBER 2004**

### **Scrutiny Reviews – Implementation of Recommendations**

#### **1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 To inform the Board of the progress achieved with the implementation of agreed Executive actions resulting from the consideration of Scrutiny reports.

#### **2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 2.1 The electronic Scrutiny Monitoring Database was introduced in June 2003, to enable Members to track the implementation of agreed Executive Action Plans. The database is accessible through the lotus notes system.

- 2.2 Provided within appendix A is a position update for the following reports:-

- Third Quarterly Capital Expenditure, Resources and Revenue Outturn Review 2002/03.
- Physical Disabilities in Middlesbrough
- Street Cleansing
- Job Centre Plus
- Middlesbrough Town Centre Company
- Pupil Performance: Key Stage 2/3 Transition
- Review of the Implementation of Local E Government within Middlesbrough Council
- Draft Social Services Transport Policy
- Investigation into Service Provision of Gleneagles Resource Centre
- Flooding in Middlesbrough
- Misuse of Fireworks
- Social Services Consultation Procedures

- Final Revenue Outturn & the 2002/03 First Quarterly Revenue Budget Review
- HBS Telephone Contact Service
- Review of Housing Allocation Policy
- Sure Start: Delivering Better Outcomes for Children & Families
- Draft Internal Audit Strategic Plan 2003/04 to 2006/06
- Audit Inspection Annual Letter 2003
- Development of Preventative Services provided by Middlesbrough Council for Children

2.3 In total the reports contain 217 recommendations, of which 80 should have been implemented by September 2004. It would not be feasible to discuss each recommendation in turn, however where the agreed Executive actions have not been implemented by the proposed target date this will be highlighted. To summarise appendix A of the 80 Executive actions 69% have been implemented, 25% partially complete and 5% have not been implemented. A progress report has not been received for 1% of the Executive actions. Please note where the Executive Action has not been completed a revised target date and / or explanation may have been put forth.

### **3. FUTURE MONITORING**

3.1 The Board will receive an update report on a quarterly basis, for the reports identified above. In addition the monitoring of Health Scrutiny Executive Action Plans is underway, an update has been requested from the Health bodies. Once this information has been received, Members will be informed of the position for the following reports: -

- Review of District General Hospitals
- Appropriate Hospital Care for Older People
- Dental Health
- Review of Patient & Public Involvement

### **4. RECOMMENDATION**

4.1 That the Board consider the information presented in appendix A and agree an appropriate course of action to monitor the recommendations that have not been implemented by the proposed target date.

### **5. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

5.1 No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

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