

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

16 November 2004

PROGRESS REPORT RE AD HOC PANEL ON COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To inform the Overview & Scrutiny Board of the progress of the Ad Hoc panel examining Community Engagement.

RECOMMENDATION

2 It is recommended that the Overview and Scrutiny Board approves the actions of the Ad Hoc Scrutiny Panel resulting from its meeting of 26th October 2004.

PROGRESS OF THE PANEL

- 3 The Ad Hoc Panel Community Safety and Leisure Scrutiny Panel are scheduled to meet on the 9th November. At which time the Panel will be receiving a report and position statement from the Executive Member for Community Safety and Leisure and the Sport and Leisure Manager on the actions and achievements of the relevant partner organisations. These partners are considered the prime movers for achieving the actions contained within the Active Middlesbrough Strategy 2003-2008.
- 4 One area of the Panels remit was to assess the achievements of the Strategy during its first year of operation. Consequently the Panel has already assessed the delivery of actions for which the Council is responsible but to form a complete picture the Panel needs to determine the level of achievement and commitment of the Partners. Therefore the Executive Member and the Sport and Leisure Manager met with the partner organisations on the 19th October to enquire and assess the progress to date.

- 5 As this report is required to be distributed prior to the Overview and Scrutiny Board meeting of 16th November being held, I will update the Board at the meeting on the key issues which have emerged from the meeting.
- 6 The Panel considers that it has received sufficient information to formulate a judgement on the direction and achievements of the Active Middlesbrough Strategy. However, I will be able to convey this more accurately at the Board meeting, as the Scrutiny Panel will have had its meeting then. Therefore the panel are entering the stage of drafting its report which will be submitted to a future Board meeting for consideration.

COUNCILLOR CHRIS ROBSON

CHAIR OF THE COMMUNITY SAFETY AND LEISURE SCRUTINY PANEL

BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background paper was used in the preparation of this report: -

7th November 2004

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RECOMMENDATION

2. That the Board consider the appropriateness of commissioning scrutiny reviews into the suggested scrutiny topics received from members of the public.

PROPOSED SCRUTINY TOPICS

The Scrutiny Team has received one completed Have Your Say Scrutiny