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AGENDA ITEM: 6

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

4 April 2005

Scrutiny Review – Implementation of Recommendations

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To inform the Panel of the progress achieved with the implementation of agreed Executive actions resulting from the consideration of Scrutiny reports.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2. 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.
- 3. As agreed, at the OSB meeting held on the 8th March 2005, the Overview and Scrutiny Board and Scrutiny Panels will receive quarterly updates on the progress of Scrutiny recommendations and in particular the actions that have not been successfully implemented.
- 4. The Scrutiny Monitoring Database has been revised, to enable the database to record and generate information more effectively.
- 5. Provided within appendix A is a position update for the following reports:
 - Third Quarterly Capital Expenditure, Resources and Revenue Outturn Review 2002/03
 - Review of the Implementation of E-Government within Middlesbrough Council
 - HBS's Telephone Contact Service
 - Draft Licensing Policy
- 6. Since the implementation of the scrutiny monitoring system the Overview and Scrutiny Board have produced a total of 50 recommendations, of which 9 should have been implemented by February 2005. The agreed Executive actions which have not been implemented by the proposed target date are presented in Appendix A.

- 7. To summarise, of the 9 Executive actions which should have been implemented by February 2005: -
 - 6 have been implemented,
 - 2 are partially complete
 - 1 has not been implemented.
- 8. All of the Agreed Executive Actions for the following reviews have been completed:
 - Misuse of Fireworks in Middlesbrough
 - Final Revenue Outturn & the 2002/03 First Quarterly Revenue Budget Review
 - Draft Internal Audit Strategic Plan 2003/04 to 2005/06
 - Audit & Inspection Annual Letter 2003

These reports have now been archived within the database.

RECOMMENDATION

9. That the Panel considers the information presented in Appendix A and agrees an appropriate course of action regarding the recommendations that have not been implemented by the proposed target date.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

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