Middlesbrough Council



AGENDA ITEM:

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OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

9 AUGUST 2005

SOCIAL CARE AND ADULT SERVICES SCRUTINY PANEL PROGRESS REPORT

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To provide members of the Overview and Scrutiny Board with an update on the progress of the Social Care and Adult Services Scrutiny Panel.

PROGRESS OF THE PANEL

- 2. Since the last update to the Board the panel has begun its review of the Development of Learning Disability Services.
- 3. The panel met on 26 July to receive evidence from the Head of Mental Health and Learning Disability Services in order to 'Set the Scene' for the review and to assist the panel with setting the aim and the terms of reference for the review. The aim of the review is 'To examine how Social Services meet the needs of young people making the transition from Children's Services to Adult Services'.
- 4. The terms of reference were approved and following the 'setting the scene' presentation Members expressed a wish to receive additional evidence from Children's Services and from Connexions. Therefore, representatives from each organisation have been invited and will attend the panel meeting on 13 September.
- 5. In addition to the evidence gathering at the set panel meetings, Members will also meet with service users to gain a useful insight into their experiences. A number of Members will also be attending a meeting of the Social Services' Transition Forum in order to understand how it functions.

RECOMMENDATION

6. That the Overview and Scrutiny Board notes the content of the report.

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CHAIR OF THE SOCIAL CARE AND ADULT SERVICES SCRUTINY PANEL