

AGENDA ITEM: 9c

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

17 OCTOBER 2006

ECONOMIC REGENERATION & TRANSPORT SCRUTINY PANEL

PROGRESS REPORT

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To provide members of the Overview and Scrutiny Board (OSB) with an update on the progress of the Economic Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Panel.

BACKGROUND

2. Since the last update the panel has met once to gather further evidence as part of their review of the West Middlesbrough Neighbourhood Trust.
3. Members received a presentation on the principle of Neighbourhood Management and how the Trust ensured that the residents had a significant part to play in the development of their neighbourhood.
4. Following on from that presentation resident members of the West Middlesbrough Neighbourhood Trust (WMNT) Board, representatives from Ayresome Community Council and various residents groups were invited to attend to discuss their thoughts and experiences on residents' involvement in their neighbourhood and the WMNT in particular.
5. The panel's next meeting is scheduled for 26 October and the panel will be receiving evidence about 'sustainable neighbourhoods' and in particular how the Trust is working to ensure long term improvements in educational and employment opportunities for people in the area.

RECOMMENDATION

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

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