

AGENDA ITEM: 9c

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

9 JANUARY 2007

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 on 7 December in order to receive the last evidence as part of the review of West Middlesbrough Neighbourhood Trust. The panel received evidence from the Deputy Chief Executive of the Trust about the proposed future of the Trust and its exit strategy. Officers from the Council, who have been involved in various aspects of support to the Trust in a number of areas such as housing, education, community safety and business, were also present. They outlined the support the Council provided the Trust and discussed the relationship between the Council and the Trust.
3. The panel will be holding an informal meeting on 10 January to discuss the contents and the recommendations of the final report. The report will then be formally approved at the panel's next meeting on 25 January.
4. Also at the meeting on 25 January, the panel members will be considering an update on the Housing Renewal Policy from the Director of Regeneration and they will also receive the Economic Development Strategy.

RECOMMENDATION

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

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