

AGENDA ITEM: 15 b

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

6th March 2007

COMMUNITY SAFETY and LEISURE SCRUTINY PANEL PROGRESS REPORT

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1 To inform Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Board of the progress made to date by the Community Safety and Leisure Scrutiny Panel.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2 It is recommended that the Overview and Scrutiny Board approves the actions of the Community Safety and Leisure Scrutiny Panel since the last update which was presented to this Board at its meeting held on the 6th February 2007.

PROGRESS OF THE PANEL

- 3 **Respect Agenda** - The Community Safety and Leisure Scrutiny Panel held a meeting on the 6th February 2007. At this meeting the Panel received information regarding the Respect Agenda. This also included issues from the Respect Action Plan and the recently secured additional funding from the Home Office which supports the Families Project. The Panel was presented with an extract in the form of video of a family, which is currently being included into the Family Project. It was expressed to the Panel the difference this has made in the reduction of Anti Social Behaviour instigated by the family. The Panel was very supportive to the action being undertaken and

intends to present their findings in a brief report to a future meeting of this Board.

- 4 **Neighbourhood policing** – The Panel considered their draft report into Neighbourhood Policing. The Panel appreciates that the full programme is not scheduled to roll out across Middlesbrough until beginning of April this year. However, the examination has revealed some issues which the Panel has contained within its report and consequently the Panel has identified a range of recommendations for this Boards consideration.
The Board will be aware that the Panels Final report is contained within the agenda for this meeting.
- 5 **Future meeting.** The Panel is scheduled to meet on the 27th February, which is following the distribution of this report. The intention is for the Panel to address the recommendations previously made by this Panel and endorsed by the Executive. The Panel will aim to identify a number of actions where it can pursue an assessment on the actual level of impact the recommendation has had on the local community.

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CHAIR OF THE COMMUNITY SAFETY AND LEISURE SCRUTINY PANEL

BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

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