

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

20TH NOVEMBER 2007

ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY PANEL

- PROGRESS REPORT

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To provide members of the Overview and Scrutiny Board (OSB) with an update on the work of the Environment Scrutiny Panel.

BACKGROUND

2. At the time of writing, the Environment Scrutiny Panel has not met since its last update was reported to OSB on 23 October. The scrutiny panel is continuing its investigation of "waste services" and is scheduled to meet on 19th November 2007.
3. Officers from Environment are to present information to the above meeting in respect of the Council's street washing service, which was identified as part of one of the terms of reference of the scrutiny review, as follows:

" In the light of performance requirements and anticipated recycling targets, to investigate existing service provision and policy options for:

- *domestic refuse collection*
- *trade waste activities*
- *street washing*
- *back alley cleansing*
- *junk jobs*
- *side waste"*

4. The position will be updated in terms of the scrutiny panel's findings at the OSB meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

5. That the Overview and Scrutiny Board notes the updated position in respect of the work of the Environment Scrutiny Panel.

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