

AGENDA ITEM: 10b

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

15th DECEMBER 2009

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 of 17th November 2009.

PROGRESS OF THE PANEL

- 3 **Community Courts.** Following the Panels site visits to the Community Justice Courts at both Middlesbrough and Liverpool the panel established its Terms of Reference and Lines of Enquiry. Although it had previously taken background evidence from Magistrates and the Crown Prosecution Service in the operation of the East Middlesbrough CJC . The panel wanted to obtain the Executive Members views on his involvement with the CJC and areas for development. The Executive Member attended the panel meeting on 25th November and informed the panel of his involvement and also that there was a Members briefing on Community Justice to be held in the Town Hall on 26th November and encouraged panel members to attend.

- 4 The next meeting of the Panel is scheduled for the 16th December where the panel will have in attendance the Police (Re neighbourhood Policing) and the Probation service (Re Community Payback). It's the panels intentions at this meeting to obtain information regarding the Police perspective on the effectiveness of the CJC and community orders and from a neighbourhood Police perspective how the local Community view the success or failure of such a system.

- 5 **Road Safety – outside schools.** The panel received information from the Transport service in June this year. The panel requested an update in November on the issue of traffic calming outside of schools and detail of any accidents involving children outside of schools. The panel was informed that there have not been any accidents outside of a school in Middlesbrough this year. The panel then received detail on the various monitoring of traffic safety records for Middlesbrough and the trend of gradual reductions.

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CHAIR OF THE COMMUNITY SAFETY AND LEISURE SCRUTINY PANEL

BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

30th November 2009

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