

## **OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD**

**29 JUNE 2010**

### **ECONOMIC REGENERATION AND 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 work of the Economic Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Panel.

#### **BACKGROUND**

2. At the time of writing, the Economic Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Panel has not met since the last update report was presented to OSB on 1 June 2010.
3. The Economic Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Panel's next meeting is scheduled for 21 June 2010. At this meeting the panel is due to receive evidence from the PCT and the University of Teesside in respect of its review of the Older Housing Areas.
4. At the panel's last meeting the panel provisionally agreed its draft final report on the Older Housing Areas but requested that prior to submitting the report to OSB the PCT and University of Teesside be invited to attend a meeting of the panel to provide further evidence.
5. The PCT has therefore been invited to attend to discuss the panel's draft final report and specifically the potential to develop some form of joint Council/PCT initiative to help tackle poor housing conditions, particularly in the private rented sector, given the impact that poor housing can have on health outcomes.
6. In addition the Director of Support Services at the University of Teesside has been invited to provide the panel with an insight into the work the University has undertaken with private sector landlords in managing student accommodation across the town.

7. The panel will also be discussing the work programme for 2010/11. A further update will be provided at the meeting.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

8. That the Overview and Scrutiny Board notes the content of the report and the updated position.

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