

## **OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD**

**27 JULY 2010**

### **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.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

2. That the Overview and Scrutiny Board notes the updated position.

#### **BACKGROUND**

3. Since the last update to OSB, the Environment Scrutiny Panel has met once, on 5 July 2010.
4. At the above meeting the scrutiny panel considered reports on the following:
  - a) Pest Control Service - This was an introduction and overview of the new scrutiny topic. Members highlighted the areas which they wish to investigate further and these will be included in the terms of reference submitted to the panel's next meeting for approval.
  - b) Work programme 2010/11 - The panel also agreed its work programme for the year ahead. Main topics for examination will be:
    - Fleet Services
    - Property Services (ie building cleaning and maintenance).
    - Joint Authority Working on Refuse Collection.

5. An examination of the impact of vehicle emissions on health is also to be undertaken in conjunction with the Health Scrutiny Panel.
6. In addition to the detailed topics outlined above there will also be a number of shorter investigations including pest control, noise complaints, fees and charges and weed control.

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