

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

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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 Panel has not met since the last update report was presented to OSB. The Panel's next meeting is scheduled for 28 February 2011 and therefore a full update will be provided at the Board meeting.
3. On 28 February the Panel is due to receive a report from the Mayor in respect of the progress that has been made in relation to the Gresham Project, following the Panel's previous review on the Older Housing Areas.
4. In addition the Head of Area South at the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) will be in attendance at the meeting. An update is to be provided to the Panel on the possible implications of the national cuts in affordable housing funding, as announced in the Comprehensive Spending Review, on the future development of affordable housing in Middlesbrough.
5. Finally the Panel will consider its draft final report, conclusions and recommendations, on its current review topic of social housing. The information from the HCA will be incorporated into the Panel's report prior to the report being presented to OSB.

RECOMMENDATION

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

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