

**MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL**

**AGENDA ITEM 8 (f)**

**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD**

**18 SEPTEMBER 2012**

<p><b>SOCIAL CARE &amp; ADULT SERVICES SCRUTINY PANEL – PROGRESS REPORT</b></p>
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**PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1. To appraise the Overview & Scrutiny Board of the progress of the Social Care & Adult Services Scrutiny Panel.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

2. That the Overview & Scrutiny Board notes the progress of the Social Care & Adult Services Scrutiny Panel.

**CONSIDERATION OF REPORT**

3. The Social Care & Adult Services Scrutiny Panel concluded its joint investigation with the Health Scrutiny Panel, in relation to the experience of vulnerable older people in care settings.
4. The final report was presented to the Overview & Scrutiny Board on 3 July 2012 prior to submission to the Executive on 11 September 2012.
5. The Panel is continuing with its investigation into the Integrated Occupational Therapy Service (IOTS).
6. The Panel has heard evidence from the Strategy and Delivery Manager from the department of Social Care, the Director of the Integrated Occupational Therapy Service and the Chief of Clinical Support Services from South Tees NHS Trust, the Service Manager – Access and Independence and the Interim Head of Service – Redcar & Cleveland Adult Services regarding how in their view the Integrated Occupational Therapy Service (IOTS) was performing in respect of their respective organisations.
7. At the next meeting of the Panel Members will hear from the Assistant Director, Social Care to hear the department of Social Care's views in respect of the operation of the Integrated Occupational Therapy Service and to ascertain whether the department of Social Care considered that in their view the IOTS was providing value for money.

8. The Panel have also requested information from officers involved with Occupational Therapy Services within Newcastle City Council to see how occupational therapy is managed in other authorities and to gain an insight into their approach into Occupational Therapy Services.

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

9. No background papers were used in the preparation of this briefing paper.

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