

# MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM: 5 b

## OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

23<sup>rd</sup> JULY 2013

### 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.

#### PROGRESS OF THE PANEL

- 3 The Community Safety and Leisure Scrutiny panel met on the 17<sup>th</sup> July, which is after the distribution of this report, but in advance of the actual OSB meeting. Consequently I will update Members verbally at the meeting.
- 4 The following outlines the intended areas for consideration at the meeting scheduled for the 17<sup>th</sup> July 13.
- 5 **Work Programme.** The Overview and Scrutiny Board approved the panels work programme on the 2<sup>nd</sup> July. Consequently the panel will discuss its proposed Terms of Reference and Lines of Enquiry at its meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> July 13.

- 6 **Domestic Violence.** The panel had identified Domestic Violence as a subject for a previous scrutiny. The panel found during this Scrutiny that this valuable work was very funding dependant from a range of sources. The panel has arranged to receive its annual update on the delivery of the Middlesbrough Domestic Violence Strategy (2011-2014). at its next meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> July 13.
- 7 The panel will be looking at the pressures presently placed on this service and its future. The areas it will be addressing at its meeting of the 17 July are
- Current commissioning arrangements and identified risks
  - Challenges to delivering the domestic violence agenda
  - Considerations following organisational restructure
  - Proposed future actions and recommendations
- 8 **Leisure Service.** The panel addressed this issue in March when Members raised a number of issues and concerns associated with Leisure. At that time the panel was informed that a fundamental review of the Councils Leisure provision was to be undertaken. initially by external consultant but then subsequently directed to internal services. Consequently, the panel will be receiving this information at its meeting of the 17<sup>th</sup> July 2013
- 9 The items mainly focused on Prissick Park, Playing Pitch Strategy, Leisure needs analysis (which would be aimed to inform the future provision required in Middlesbrough). Other items such as the cycle facilities, pitch and put usage were also raised for clarity.

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

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

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