

MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM 5d

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

23 JULY 2013

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. At the Environment Panel's last meeting (1 July 2013), the panel received information from officers of the Council's Neighbourhoods and Communities Department in respect of key issues in the year ahead. This was to assist Members in determining work programme topics for the year. The panel's work programme was subsequently agreed and approved by OSB.
4. At the above meeting, the panel also began its investigation of the short topic of the Borough Becks Programme. Information was submitted in respect of
 - Background to the programme.
 - The current and future funding position.
 - Service operation.
 - Work undertaken to date by the Borough Becks Team.

5. A draft final report in respect of the scrutiny panel's findings on Borough Becks will be submitted to the panel's next meeting. That meeting is scheduled for 5 August 2013 and will also consider an update in respect of Nature's World and the annual update on local flood prevention.

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