

MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM 9c

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

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<p>ECONOMIC REGENERATION AND TRANSPORT SCRUTINY PANEL - PROGRESS REPORT</p>
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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.

RECOMMENDATION

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

BACKGROUND

3. The Economic Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Panel's examination of the topic of business creation, including the role of the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), is ongoing.
4. At its 20 February 2014 meeting, the panel heard from a representative of Enterprise Made Simple, which is a local enterprise-support body that provides business advice and assistance. This can be to individuals wishing to start a business or established organisations that wish to expand.
5. In terms of this topic, the panel's next meeting will consider information concerning the Council's involvement in supporting apprenticeships.
6. Since the last update, the Economic Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Panel has also examined the topic of 20 mph speed limits. The panel's final report on the subject appears elsewhere on the OSB agenda.

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