MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM 7(b)

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD 18 AUGUST 2015

COMMUNITY SAFETY & LEISURE 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 Community Safety and Leisure Scrutiny Panel.

BACKGROUND

- 2. Since the last report to OSB, the Community Safety and Leisure Scrutiny Panel has met on one occasion on 27 July 2015.
- 3. At that meeting the Community Safety Manager and the Operations Manager South Tees Youth Offending Service were in attendance to provide the Panel with a setting the scene presentation on the topic of the 'Reoffending & Rehabilitation How does Middlesbrough Fare'.
- 4. Information was provided to the Panel on a number of issues including:-
 - The current picture of adult reoffending in Middlesbrough
 - The services currently available including Integrated Offender Management (IOM), National Offender Management Service (NOMS) and MBC Troubled Families Programme
 - Middlesbrough's response to Anti-Social Behaviour
 - Reducing First Time Entrants to the Youth Justice System
 - The Impact of Triage and Reducing the Use of Custody
- 5. Data was provided from the Ministry of Justice in relation to proven re-offending rates in Middlesbrough. As there was a lag in the data, figures are currently available for the period October 2010 and September 2011. The proportion of adult re-offenders is 33.1% and there is a 0.7% increase in re-offending between 2010 and 2011.
- 6. It was highlighted that the number of young people in the Youth Offending Service

re-offending cohort has reduced from 405 in 2008/09 to 100 in 2014/15, which is below the national average. The number of offences committed by young people has reduced to 677 in 2014/15 compared with 1,911 offences in 2011.

- 7. Following receipt of the information above the panel expressed the view that there are a number of areas they wish to investigate further and a paper detailing the scope of the review is scheduled to be considered by the panel on 27 August 2015.
- 8. In accordance with the above an invitation has been extended to Chief Superintendent at Cleveland Police and Sergeant with lead responsibility for IOM in Middlesbrough to attend the meeting. The Head of Rehabilitation and Reoffending at Holme House Prison will also be in attendance.
- 9. The panel has requested information on the work undertaken by the Integrated Offender Management (IOM) team, as well as the work taking place in prisons to help turn around the lives of offenders. An update of the information received by the panel will be presented at today's Board meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

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

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