

MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM 4

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

1 MARCH 2016

<h3>ATTENDANCE OF EXECUTIVE MEMBERS AT THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD</h3>

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To provide information in respect of the scheduled attendance of Members of the Executive at the Overview and Scrutiny Board (OSB).

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. It is **RECOMMENDED** as follows:
 1. That Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Board are appraised of the work of the Executive Member for Communities and Public Health.
 2. That Board Members question the Executive Member in respect of his portfolio and any issues which arise at the meeting.

BACKGROUND

3. Arrangements are in place in the Council to ensure that potential issues for consideration via the scrutiny process (i.e. by the Overview and Scrutiny Board or the relevant scrutiny panel) are highlighted and brought forward as necessary.
4. Overview and Scrutiny also has a responsibility to “hold the Executive to account.” This can happen in a number of different ways and at different stages in the decision-making process, for example:
 - Before decisions are made - such as by examining policy options or considering issues included in the Council’s forward work programme.
 - Immediately after decisions are made, but prior to their implementation, through the call-in process; and

- After decisions are implemented, through monitoring and evaluation of their effects.
5. Overview and Scrutiny can be involved in holding the Executive to account as a whole, by using the methods outlined in the preceding paragraph, or on an individual basis. OSB's role in this area has been strengthened in recent years, with arrangements having been made for individual Members of the Executive to attend the Board.
 6. This has given OSB Members the opportunity to hear directly from each Executive Member on matters such as their aims and aspirations, progress made, objectives and priorities and also any emerging issues or pressure areas relating to their portfolio. The process has also presented an opportunity for OSB to highlight and question any issues of concern or difficulty (for example in respect of service areas where targets have not been reached or where objectives have not been achieved) and to question what action will be taken to address such issues.
 7. Arrangements have been made for Councillor M Thompson, Executive Member for Communities and Public Health, to attend the meeting. Details of the relevant Executive portfolio are attached at **Appendix 1**.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

8. There were no background papers used in the preparation of this report.

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APPENDIX 1

EXECUTIVE PORTFOLIO	SCOPE OF PORTFOLIO
<p>Executive Member for Communities & Public Health</p> <p>(Lead AD: Assistant Director, Supporting Communities and Assistant Director, Improving Public Health)</p>	<p>Scope</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Preventative approaches and early intervention to support children, young people and adults ▪ Community Safety and Development ▪ Neighbourhood Renewal ▪ Supporting communities to access opportunities ▪ Public Health ▪ Joint Strategic Needs Assessment ▪ Health Protection ▪ Health Improvement <p>Policy Framework</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Local Neighbourhood Renewal Strategies ▪ Voluntary Sector ▪ Strategic Approach to Addressing Poverty ▪ Neighbourhood Management and Renewal ▪ Crime and Disorder (Reduction Strategy) ▪ Community Safety including Law and Order Issues ▪ Community Development ▪ Community Hub Development ▪ Human Rights Act ▪ Public Health England Plans – Local, Regional and National <p>Other Plans and Strategies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Middlesbrough Health and Wellbeing Strategy ▪ 14–19 Strategy ▪ Homelessness Strategy ▪ Emergency Planning / Civil Contingencies ▪ Public health advice to NHS commissioners ▪ Comprehensive sexual health services ▪ Health protection - incidents, outbreaks, emergencies and hazards ▪ Tobacco control and smoking cessation services ▪ Alcohol and drug misuse prevention, early intervention and treatment services ▪ Obesity and physical activity - lifestyle and weight management services ▪ Workplace health ▪ Public mental health and suicide prevention ▪ Oral health promotion and dental public health ▪ Accidental injury prevention

- Prevention and early diagnosis of cancer and long term conditions
- Preventing seasonal mortality
- Public health intelligence – JSNA and DPH annual report
- Annual Public Health Report
- NHS Health Check programme

Service Functions

- 0-19 Service
- Myplace
- Troubled Families
- Common Assessment of Families
- Community Hubs / Regeneration
- Community Safety
- Street Wardens
- Neighbourhood Safety
- Travellers
- Homelessness
- Advice Services
- Asylum Seekers
- Safer Middlesbrough Partnership
- Volunteering
- Healthy Living Agenda
- Integrated Health Improvement Team
- Strategic and Corporate Public Health Issues
- Cross cutting Strategic NHS Issues
- Public Health Statutory Function
- Emergency Planning
- Welfare Reform
- Diversity (including Asylum Seekers / Refugees and Community Cohesion)

In circumstances where it is considered that the Executive Member would have a prejudicial interest or by virtue of the fact that they are a member of the Thirteen Housing Group, the matter will be referred to the Deputy Mayor and Executive Member for Regeneration.