

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT BOARD

28 JULY, 2010

RECOMMENDATIONS

Date/min number	Resolution / Recommendation	Explanation / Minute	Response
Growth and Prosperity			
14/06/10 5	Panel Members noted the terms of reference and <u>recommended</u> that Council be asked to remove Community Services from the Panel's Terms of Reference due to the Housing Stock Transfer.	<p>Gill Peele, the Business Manager for Development and Regeneration, informed the Panel that Community Services should be removed from Panel's terms of reference as the Housing Stock Transfer had now taken place.</p> <p>Panel Members noted the terms of reference and recommended to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board that Council be asked to remove Community Services from the Panel's Terms of Reference due to the Housing Stock Transfer.</p>	
14/06/10 8	The Chair thanked Nick Jones and his staff for the work undertaken on the Hoe Foreshore. It was agreed that the work of the previous Task and Finish Group, which had been tasked to ensure that the Hoe Foreshore reduced from a red risk to an amber risk, had been completed therefore it was recommended to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board that the risk had reduced and this piece of scrutiny was now complete.	<p>Nick Jones, Head of Street Scene Services, informed the Panel that a full risk assessment had been carried out on the Hoe Foreshore and £406,000 of remedial works had been completed; the red risk had now reduced to an amber risk.</p> <p>In response to questions raised it was reported that –</p> <p>(i) there were still a few minor repairs to the Hoe Foreshore that needed completion;</p> <p>(ii) it was not known how long the current risk was going to stay amber as remedial works on the Hoe Foreshore would be the result of a yearly inspection;</p>	

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14/06/10 8 cont'd/ ...		<p>(iii) it was not known if there was adequate budget to cover possible future remedial works as the yearly inspection for 2010 had not been completed;</p> <p>(iv) the recent remedial works to the Hoe Foreshore had slightly delayed the risk assessment which would normally take place in the Spring;</p> <p>(v) on page 35 of the agenda, the pool had to be filled in other than repaired as this was more cost efficient;</p> <p>The Chair thanked Nick Jones and his staff for the work undertaken on the Hoe Foreshore. It was agreed that the work of the previous Task and Finish Group, which had been tasked to ensure that the Hoe Foreshore reduced from a red risk to an amber risk, had been completed therefore it was recommended to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board that the risk had reduced and this piece of scrutiny was now complete.</p>	
12/07/10 17 (iii)	<p><u>Agreed</u> that the Panel recommend to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board that recommendation 'c' from its 3 March 2010 meeting, namely 'the Support Services OSP join with the Growth and Prosperity OSP to help with scrutiny of homelessness and housing needs issues', be amended to read the following:</p>	<p>On 3 March 2010 Overview and Scrutiny Management Board meeting it was resolved under minute 94a that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. with regard to Growth & Prosperity OSP draft minute no. 51 – Plymouth City Council Housing Services – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. in line with the scrutiny terms of reference, it be confirmed that the Growth & Prosperity OSP is the main panel for considering strategic housing issues; 	

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12/07/10 17 (iii) cont'd/ ...	‘that the Growth and Prosperity Panel scrutinise homelessness and housing needs issues as a single panel and add this to their work programme to be scrutinised in the future’.	<p>b. officers be requested to liaise with the Monitoring Officer to establish what was formally agreed when the housing stock was transferred to Plymouth Community Homes regarding scrutiny of the service;</p> <p>c. the Support Services OSP join with the Growth & Prosperity OSP to help with scrutiny of homelessness and housing needs issues;</p> <p>d. the Growth & Prosperity OSP invite the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Support Services OSP to meet with the Cabinet Member for Planning, Strategic Housing and Economic Development to discuss how best to take scrutiny of housing issues forward;</p> <p>The above resolutions were reported to the Growth and Prosperity OSP Panel on 22 March meeting. The Panel was informed that the recommendations submitted to the Management Board regarding Plymouth Housing Services would be followed up at the first meeting of the new municipal year once membership for the Panel had been agreed.</p> <p>This item was discussed at 12 July 2010 Panel meeting under tracking resolutions. The Panel were happy with recommendations a and b, however agreed to recommend to the Management Board that recommendation c be amended so that the Panel scrutinised homelessness and housing needs issues as a single panel.</p>	

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12/07/10 21	<u>Agreed</u> that the Growth and Prosperity Panel recommend to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board that they undertake a Task and Finish Group to scrutinise the Community Events and Road Closure Policy.	DRAFT – This item originated from Plympton Area Committee, minute 58, in which it was recommended to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board that an appropriate Panel scrutinise this policy. This item was referred to the Growth and Prosperity Panel. On 12 July 2010 a briefing report was provided to the Panel and as a result the Panel wish to have a task and finish group.	
Children and Young People			
15/07/10 23 (1)	<u>Recommended</u> that the panel take part in a two-day Task and Finish Group in September focusing on young carers in the city.	It was brought to the panel's attention that there are currently 170 young carers in the city. The panel feels that number is much higher than this. The panel therefore felt that a need to undertake a full panel task and finish group in September.	
Audit Committee			
23/07/10	<u>Recommended</u> that the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board refer the red risk item regarding the 'inability of Carefirst to meet business requirements in terms of changes to service provision' to the Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Panel.	In considering the Operational Risk Management Update Report, Members' attention was drawn to the fact that there was a red risk within the Services for Children and Young People's Directorate. Audit Committee agreed that it would be appropriate for this to be looked at by the Children's scrutiny panel. However, in considering this recommendation Board members need to be aware that this is also being looked at by the CareFirst Project Board, chaired by the Assistant Chief Executive.	