

REGENERATION AND PLANNING SERVICES SCRUTINY FORUM AGENDA



Friday, 16 January 2009

at 2.00 pm

in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Hartlepool

MEMBERS: REGENERATION AND PLANNING SERVICES SCRUTINY FORUM:

Councillors R W Cook, S Cook, Gibbon, London, A Marshall, Morris, Richardson, Wright and Young.

Resident Representatives:

John Lynch, Brian McBean and Iris Ryder

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 2. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS**
- 3. MINUTES**
 - 3.1 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 31 October 2008
 - 3.2 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 13 November 2008
- 4. RESPONSES FROM THE COUNCIL, THE EXECUTIVE OR COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL TO FINAL REPORTS OF THIS FORUM**

No items
- 5. CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST FOR SCRUTINY REVIEWS REFERRED VIA SCRUTINY CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE**

No items

6. **CONSIDERATION OF PROGRESS REPORTS / BUDGET AND POLICY
FRAMEWORK DOCUMENTS**

- 6.1 Regeneration and Planning Services Department: Budget and Policy
 Framework Consultation Proposals 2009/10 – *Scrutiny Support Officer*

7. **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

- 7.1 Six Monthly Monitoring of Agreed Regeneration and Planning Services
 Scrutiny Forum's Recommendations – *Scrutiny Support Officer*

8. **ISSUES IDENTIFIED FROM FORWARD PLAN**

9. **ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS ARE URGENT**

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

**Date of Next Meeting - Friday, 20 February 2009 at 2.00 pm in the Council
Chamber, Civic Centre, Hartlepool**

REGENERATION AND PLANNING SERVICES SCRUTINY FORUM

MINUTES

31 October 2008

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am in the Civic Centre, Hartlepool

Present:

Councillor: Councillor Shaun Cook (In the Chair)

Councillors: Steve Gibbon, Frances London and Dr Morris

Resident Representatives:

John Lynch, Brian McBean and Iris Ryder

In accordance with Paragraph 4.2 (ii) of the Council's Procedure Rules Councillor Sheila Griffin attended as a substitute for Councillor R Cook

Officers: Stuart Green, Assistant Director, Planning and Economic Development
John Mennear, Assistant Director, Adult and Community Services
Antony Steinberg, Economic Development Manager
Jo Cole, Principal Economic Development Officer (Tourism)
Michelle Daurat, Tall Ships Project Manager
Alastair Rae, Public Relations Manager
Charlotte Burnham, Scrutiny Manager
James Walsh, Scrutiny Support Officer
Denise Wimpenny, Principal Democratic Services Officer

57. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Rob Cook, Ann Marshall and Edna Wright.

58. Declarations of interest by Members

None

59. Minutes of the meeting held on 3 October 2008

Confirmed.

60. Responses from the Council, the Executive or Committees of the Council to Final Reports of this Forum

None.

61. Consideration of request for scrutiny reviews referred via Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee

None.

62. Consideration of progress reports/budget and policy framework documents

None.

63. Scrutiny Investigation into the Marketing of Hartlepool: The Tall Ships' Races 2010 *(Director of Regeneration and Planning Services)*

The Assistant Director introduced the report which outlined the current ways in which the Council and its various partners had commenced marketing and communicating The Tall Ships' Races 2010.

The report contained background information to the event, details of workstreams that had been established to concentrate on specific aspects of the event, various marketing and communication techniques, development of marketing and communications plans, details of marketing activity to date, public relations/communications initiatives, monitoring and evaluation to determine the effectiveness of the marketing and public relations activities.

Members were advised of the results of surveys undertaken together with the key next steps identified as priorities as set out in the report.

In addition, the Principal Economic Development Officer (Tourism) and the Public Relations Manager provided a brief presentation on the public relations and marketing activity to date which included the following issues:-

- Benefits of partnership working – Newcastle/Gateshead, Liverpool
- Graphics/Tall Ships Logo to promote event
- Website information/developments of website
- Marketing material – Tall Ships flyer, utilising current material to promote event, stationery, merchandise etc
- Details of press releases issued to date to promote event
- Communications with media
- Market research

- Developments to public relations/communications plan

Discussion ensued in which the following issues were raised:-

- (i) In response to a Member's query regarding national marketing and a suggestion that the event be advertised at airports outside the area, it was reported that it was intended to keep advertising more regional based on the advice of local authorities who led on marketing and public relations activity during the events at Newcastle/Gateshead and Liverpool. Discussions would be held with Newcastle and Durham Tees Valley airports to establish marketing opportunities.
- (ii) Some concern was expressed that the current information available on The Tall Ships' Races website www.hartlepooltallships2010.com, was very limited, particularly in relation to accommodation. Video footage to reflect the nature of the event was suggested together with the possible use of an aerial photograph of the Marina with images of the ships. The Principal Economic Development Officer (Tourism) reported that development of the website had just commenced and work was currently ongoing with One North East in relation to the technicalities of the website. In terms of accommodation, this would allow the website to not only feature accommodation in Hartlepool, but across the whole of North East England, therefore providing more options for the potential visitor.
- (iii) With regard to merchandise to promote the event, Members suggested a number of ideas which included diaries, calendars, car stickers, place mats in restaurants, advertising on the reverse of parking tickets, The Tall Ships' Races logo or event graphic to be printed on all Council stationery and at the bottom of all Council emails. The need to highlight the other attractions the event had to offer was also suggested.
- (iv) Following discussion on the issue of park and ride and park and stride facilities, Members were advised that a number of potential sites had been identified and these services would be subject to a tendering process.
- (v) Members emphasised the importance of pursuing sponsorships, exploring methods to encourage visitors attending the event to extend their stay as well as liaise with organisers of other large events in relation to good practice, for example the Great North Run organisers in terms of managing the number of visitors attending the event. The Tall Ships Officer indicated that a number of experienced officers from partner organisations were involved in the planning process.
- (vi) In response to a request for clarification as to whether advice had been sought from Newcastle and Liverpool in relation to timescales,

Members were advised of the importance of marketing and public relations activity being carried out at the appropriate time and this activity had been planned around the advice obtained from the Lead Officer from Newcastle.

- (vii) During discussions on how to encourage visitors to return to Hartlepool after the event, Members were advised that the general marketing of Hartlepool would continue and much of the data captured after the event would be used as an opportunity to attract new audiences. The Public Relations Manager added that discussions had taken place with train operators with a view to displaying flyers on trains during and after the event to promote Hartlepool as a visitor attraction. The Assistant Director stated that in terms of encouraging visitors to return there was a need to focus on improvements to customer service, identify volunteers to obtain accredited qualifications for future events of this nature and ensure the overall product offer was fit for purpose and evaluation in the lead up to the event and beyond was also important.
- (viii) The Forum discussed the estimated number of vehicles accessing the town, park and ride facilities, proposed parking charges, the benefits of providing appropriate attractions/facilities at Seaton Carew as a means of attracting visitors to the event. It was noted that many visitors may view the ships from various locations within the town.
- (ix) Clarification was sought as to whether there was a separate budget for the promotion of The Tall Ships' Races and how marketing activity would be funded in the event that sponsorships were not successful. In response, the Assistant Director advised that in addition to funding being drawn from the current marketing budget, a Tall Ships' Races budget was available which covered a whole range of activities. It was envisaged that funding for the event would be sought from a combination of the Council's own commitment, One North East, other external funders, sponsors and in-kind contributions.

Recommendation

That the evidence provided and the comments of the Forum be used to assist with the scrutiny investigation.

64. Issues Identified from Forward Plan

None

65. Date and Time of Next Meeting

It was reported that the next meeting would be held at 2.00 pm on 13 November 2008.

The meeting concluded at 11.50 am.

CHAIRMAN

REGENERATION AND PLANNING SERVICES SCRUTINY FORUM

MINUTES

13 November 2008

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm in the Civic Centre, Hartlepool

Present:

Councillor: Shaun Cook (In the Chair)

Councillors: Steve Gibbon, Frances London, Ann Marshall and Edna Wright

Resident Representatives:

John Lynch and Brian McBean

Officers: Peter Scott, Director of Regeneration and Planning Services

Stuart Green, Assistant Director

Alison Mawson, Head of Community Safety and Prevention

James Walsh, Scrutiny Support Officer

Laura Starrs, Scrutiny Support Officer

Denise Wimpenny, Principal Democratic Services Officer

Also present:

Councillor Jonathan Brash, Chair of Health Scrutiny Forum

66. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors R W Cook, Dr Morris and Resident Representative, Iris Ryder.

67. Declarations of interest by Members

None

68. Minutes

None.

69. Responses from the Council, the Executive or Committees of the Council to Final Reports of this Forum

None

70. Consideration of request for scrutiny reviews referred via Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee

None

71. Portfolio Holder's Response to the Hartlepool Borough Council's Community CCTV Provision *(Joint report of the Director of Regeneration and Planning Services and the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Liveability)*

The Head of Community Safety and Prevention advised that Cabinet had approved the recommendations of the Regeneration and Planning Services Scrutiny Forum's investigation into CCTV Provision subject to the following sentence being appended to the end of recommendation (h):-

'and their implementation costs by the end of 2008'

Members were advised of the proposed actions to be taken in relation to each of the specific recommendations, as set out in Appendix A to the report.

During discussions in relation to the recommendations and proposed actions, a Member expressed concern regarding the Community Safety Team's decision not to install a camera in the Clavering area of the town on the basis that current anti-social behaviour statistics revealed that this was not an area of priority. Concerns were also expressed regarding the intention to install floodlights as an alternative means of addressing anti-social behaviour without any form of consultation with local residents. The Head of Community Safety and Prevention clarified that unless there was evidence of significant problems cameras could not be installed. However, arrangements would be made for the statistics to be reviewed. The suggestion relating to the importance of consulting with local residents was acknowledged.

Recommendation

That the proposed Actions, as set out in Appendix A, be noted.

72. Regeneration and Planning Services Department: Budget and Policy Framework Initial Consultation Proposals 2008/09 *(Scrutiny Manager)*

The Scrutiny Support Officer advised that at a meeting of the Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee held on 31 October 2008 it was agreed that the initial consultation proposals for 2009/10 be considered on a departmental basis by the appropriate Scrutiny Forum. The Director of Regeneration and Planning Services presented the departmental grant terminations, priorities and proposed efficiencies which were attached as appendices to the report.

Grant Terminations

The Chair of the Health Scrutiny Forum highlighted the benefits of the Family Intervention Programme (FIP) intended to provide support and challenge in order to change the behaviour of anti-social families with school age children. It was suggested that close working with other departments and outside partners to pool funding be explored to facilitate expansion of the programme. The Head of Community Safety and Prevention provided details of the various sources of support and responded to a number of queries raised by the Forum with regard to the programme. Following further discussion, Members were of the view that the indicated continued funding for the Family Intervention Programme should be supported.

Budget Priorities

The Forum considered the budget priorities and debated these in terms of priority. In relation to Conservation Area Grants and the continued demand from residents in conservation areas for financial assistance to meet standards for listed buildings/conservation areas, the Forum expressed concern that applicants were not subject to a means tested process and considered that financial assistance should be based on need.

Following a lengthy question and answer session in relation to conservation area grants, grant funding for enhancements to Sites of Nature Conservation Interest (SNCI's), the suggestion of Planning Committee to offer financial assistance to residents in conservation areas to replace windows with high quality UPVC windows, Members were of the view that financial assistance for UPVC windows should be supported subject to a caveat of means testing applicants.

With regard to extending preventative measures available for first time entrants to the youth justice system, the Forum expressed concern that details of the programme were not available and Members were unable to establish if the identified cost was realistic. Members were advised that it had not yet been possible to give detailed consideration as to what such an extended programme might entail and therefore only an initial estimated budget figure had been put forward at this stage based on the experience of previous and current work in the programme. The Head of Community Safety and Prevention provided details of what the extended programme may entail. The Director of Regeneration and Planning Services stated that if the Forum wished to support this priority, further details of the proposed programme could be provided. Following further discussion, the Forum were happy to support this priority subject to more details of the planned programme and identified costs being provided.

Reference was made to the budget priority relating to community safety and CCTV and it was noted that the recommendations of the recent scrutiny investigation may have financial implications which would need to be judged against other budget priorities. As no costings were available at this stage

Members supported this priority dependent upon costs of implementation of this Forum's investigation.

Proposed Efficiencies

During discussions regarding the proposed efficiencies, a Member highlighted the Forum's recommendation to increase the Economic Development Marketing budget during the last budget round and queried whether this recommendation had been implemented. In response, it was reported that an increase in the budget had been agreed for 08/09, however, this budget had to be reconsidered as part of the 09/10 budget efficiencies process. Members stated that in light of the Forum's ongoing investigation into the marketing of Hartlepool, it was not considered appropriate to recommend a reduction in the Economic Development marketing budget. A Member emphasised the importance of considering sponsorships for publicity purposes to assist in compensating for potential budget reductions.

Recommendation

The Budget and Policy Framework initial consultation proposals for 2009/10 were considered and the following proposals would be presented to Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee on 28 November 2008 to enable a formal response to be presented to Cabinet on 15 December 2008:-

- (i) Members supported the schedule of grant regimes, as outlined in Appendix A of the report.
- (ii) Members noted the budget priorities as set out in Appendix B and recommended that the following priorities should take precedence:-
 - Grant assistance to replace UPVC windows in conservation areas subject to a caveat of means testing applicants.
 - Youth Justice Prevention Measures subject to more details of the planned programme and identified costs being provided in due course.
 - CCTV provision dependent upon the costs of implementation of the recommendations of the Forum
- (iii) Members supported the proposed efficiencies as detailed in Appendix C with the exception of any reductions in the Business Grants and Economic Development Marketing budgets.

73. Issues Identified from Forward Plan

None

74. Date and Time of Next Meeting

It was reported that the next meeting would be held at 2.00 pm on 16 January 2009.

The meeting concluded at 3.45 pm.

SHAUN COOK

CHAIRMAN

REGENERATION AND PLANNING SERVICES SCRUTINY FORUM

16th January, 2009



Report of: Scrutiny Support Officer

Subject: REGENERATION AND PLANNING SERVICES
DEPARTMENT: BUDGET AND POLICY
FRAMEWORK CONSULTATION PROPOSALS
2009/2010

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To provide the opportunity for the Regeneration and Planning Services Scrutiny Forum to consider the Regeneration and Planning Services departmental terminating grants, proposed 3% efficiencies, proposed additional 1% efficiencies/savings and Area Based Grant allocations as part of the Budget and Policy framework consultation proposals for 2009/2010.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 At a meeting of the Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee held on 31st October, 2008, consideration was given to the Executive's Initial Budget and Policy Framework Consultation Proposals for 2009/2010. At this meeting it was agreed that the initial consultation proposals would be considered on a departmental basis by the appropriate Scrutiny Forum. This occurred throughout November, 2008.
- 2.2 The comments/observations of each Forum were fed back to the additional meeting of the Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee held on 28th November, 2008 and were used to formulate the formal Scrutiny response to Cabinet on 15th December, 2008.
- 2.3 The comments/observations made by the Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee were taken into consideration by Cabinet during the finalisation of its Budget and Policy Framework Proposals for 2009/2010 on 22nd December, 2008. The Executive's finalised proposals were considered by the Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee on 9th January, 2009 and repeating the process previously implemented have again been referred to the appropriate Scrutiny Forum for consideration on a departmental basis.

- 2.4 As such attached as **Appendices A to E** are the Regeneration and Planning Services departmental terminating grants, proposed 3% efficiencies, proposed additional 1% efficiencies/savings and Area Based Grant allocations. Proposed changes since initial Appendices were submitted to your forum are shown as grey shaded lines. Any alterations/additions (following the Cabinet's meeting of 22nd December, 2008) will be made verbally during this meeting.
- 2.5 To assist Members of this Scrutiny Forum in the consideration of the Regeneration and Planning Services departmental proposals, arrangements have been made for the Director of Regeneration and Planning Services to be in attendance and an invitation to this meeting has also been extended to the relevant Portfolio Holder (attendance subject to availability).

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Regeneration and Planning Services Scrutiny Forum:-
- a) considers the Regeneration and Planning Services departmental pressures, priorities and efficiencies as part of the Budget and Policy Framework consultation proposals for 2009/10; and
 - b) formulates any comments and observations to be presented by the Chair of this Scrutiny Forum to the additional meeting of the Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee to be held on 23rd January, 2009, to enable a formal response to be presented to the Cabinet on 9th February, 2009.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

Portfolio	Dept/ Div	Budget heading/Cost Centre	Corp Strategy theme	Description	Type of budget proposal	Budget Value			Cost of efficiency saving £000	Risk impact	Risk probability .	Risk score	Risk status	Rate the Diversity impact	Diversity strand(s)	Treat as contingency item	Staffing Impact	Other Comments
						09/10 £000	10/11 £000	11/12 £000										
RS	R&PD R&ED	Economic Development: Contribution to Sub Regional Partnerships	1. Jobs	Reduction in the HBC contribution to the Joint Strategy Unit. It is expected that the JSU will once again reduce their budget to reflect the national cashable efficiency target. The final saving will depend on the inflation factor used and population statistics applied by the JSU but a reduction in the region of £5,000 could be possible with no effect on the council's services	Efficiency	5	0	0	0	1. Low	1. Unlikely	1	Green	Neutral	All	No	0	
NC	R&PD Ho	Housing Advice / Private Sector Housing	6. Ho	Reduction of a number of supplies and services headings within the Housing Division's budget. A number of minor budgets can be reduced or removed which would together generate a small scale efficiency without a major effect on the service.	Efficiency	15	0	0	0	1. Low	1. Unlikely	1	Green	Neutral	All	No	0	
RS	R&PD CStr	Community Strategy	8.StC	Reduction in several supplies and services headings within the Community Strategy Division's budget. A number of small budgets can be reduced which would generate a small scale efficiency with a limited negative impact on services.	Efficiency	3	0	0	0	1. Low	1. Unlikely	1	Green	Neutral	All	No	0	
RS	R&PD SS	Admin	9. OrgD	Reduction in several supplies and services headings within the Support Services Division's budget. Several budgets can be reduced which would generate a small scale efficiency with only a minimal affect on the service.	Efficiency	5	0	0	0	1. Low	1. Unlikely	1	Green	Neutral	All	No	0	
RS	R&PD Reg	Planning Policy and Regeneration Management	5. Env	A mini restructure within the Planning Policy and Information Team and reduction in budget for supporting the production of Local Development Framework (LDF) related documents by the team and any associated research / consultancy support. This does carry some risk to the delivery of a statutory process but nevertheless is deemed manageable within overall budget resources.	Efficiency	10	0	0	0	1. Low	1. Unlikely	1	Green	Neutral	All	No	0	
RS		Inflation Freeze		An inflation freeze imposed on various non contractual budget headings. It is proposed to manage a number of headings without implementing a 2.5% inflation allowance. It is felt that such a freeze could be implemented without a major negative affect on departmental services.	Efficiency	9	0	0	0	1. Low	2. Possible	2	Green	Neutral	All	No	0	

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RS	R&PD CSaf	Youth Offending	4. Csa	YOS Commissioning: Youth Offending Service (YOS) provides a comprehensive service to young offenders, and also works with their family and victims. Several services are provided by the voluntary sector, and the Service Level Agreements have been re-negotiated on an annual basis. A programme to re-commission these services will be developed for 2008-2010. Specifications will be reviewed following consultation with service users	Efficiency	4	0	0	0	1. Low	2. Possible	2	Green	Neutral	All	No	0	
RS	R&PD CSaf	Youth Offending	4. Csa	YOS Sessional Workers: The Youth Offending Service requires a pool of sessional workers, with different skills, knowledge and experience to support the full-time staff with their supervision of young offenders. Sessional workers have a contract with HBC which allows them to work flexibly, to suit the requirements for each individual young offender. They are not contracted to work fixed hours per week and are paid by the hour. This proposal will change the funding for sessional workers from HBC mainstream budget, to a grant budget. All other arrangements will remain the same	Efficiency	10	0	0	0	1. Low	2. Possible	2	Green	Neutral	All	No	0	
RS	R&PD CSaf	Community Safety	4. Csa	Cost of Accommodation. HBC currently supports the Police occupation at 6 of the 7 local offices by funding (or contributing to) the rates, repairs and maintenance and rent (where appropriate) of these buildings. One of these buildings (9 Church Street) is however shortly to be vacated by the Police and it is proposed to accommodate the Partnership's Reducing Re-offending Team within this office. Contributions from the Drug Interventions Programme and Probation towards the running costs of the building will result and consequently reduce the cost to the authority.	Efficiency	10	0	0	0	1. Low	2. Possible	2	Green	Neutral	All	No	0.0	
RS	R&PD CSaf	Youth Offending	4. Csa	YOS Admin Post: Due to a full-time vacancy arising with the YOS, a review of the admin capacity has been undertaken and an efficiency saving of 0.5 Fte can be achieved.	Efficiency	10	0	0	0	1. Low	2. Possible	2	Green	Neutral	All	No	0.5	Some additional risk of not being able to make this saving exists due to lack of clarity in respect of actual staffing budgets available as a result of the Job Evaluation exercise

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RS	R&PD SS	Admin	9. OrgD	Reduction in staffing resources within the Support Services Division. Further work would be required to identify the most appropriate course of action to achieve this efficiency although there appears to be an opportunity (albeit fairly limited) to do this without negatively impacting on existing permanent employees. This would however increase the pressure on team members who at the start of 2007/08 began to support the newly transferred Housing Division with no additional resource.	Efficiency	7	0	0	0	2. Medium	2. Possible	4	Amber	Neutral	All	No	0.3	Some additional risk of not being able to make this saving exists due to lack of clarity in respect of actual staffing budgets available as a result of the Job Evaluation exercise
NC	R&PD Ho	Strategic Housing	6. Ho	Reduction in the budget for research activities and specialist studies on Housing. Ongoing specialist work is required to statutorily assess housing needs for the council's housing and planning strategies and to support bids for funding. This proposed reduction does carry risk of the authority failing to adequately identify or respond to local need in statutory services. Some mitigating measures exist through the continuing work with other authorities at the sub regional and regional level and the introduction of Choice Based Lettings will contribute to our understanding of current and emerging housing issues.	Efficiency	10	0	0	0	2. Medium	2. Possible	4	Amber	Neutral	All	No	0	
RS	R&PD P&ED	Development Control	5. Env	Development Control fee income: projected fee income increase reflects increased fee rates, widened scope of charging for applications (including related to discharging of conditions) and projected level of future applications, based on patterns over 2007-8, 2008-9 to date and assumptions based on known schemes in the pipeline. Such increase would reduce the net cost of the DC service, whilst allowing the maintenance of existing level of service and performance (which contributes towards level of Housing and Planning Delivery Grant received). Fee income level is monitored throughout the year and overall service budget will be managed to take account of any variance from projected fee income level. There is however RISK attached to this proposed efficiency in view of the reliance on external factors and in particular the current uncertainties in relation to the economic climate.	Efficiency	20	0	0	0	2. Medium	2. Possible	4	Amber	Neutral	All	No	0	
RS	R&PD Reg	Major Regeneration Projects	5. Env	Major Regeneration Projects: A reduction on this budget heading would be necessary to meet a 3% efficiency saving target. The budget is used primarily to support the Victoria Harbour programme and as such is a high priority. There is a risk of not securing grant funding as a result of this reduction and the lower resource level may slow the momentum of preparation of related schemes.	Efficiency	20	0	0	0	2. Medium	2. Possible	4	Amber	Neutral	All	No	0	Reduction in this budget may not be well-timed given the overall Victoria Harbour position

6.1 APPENDIX B

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Regeneration and Planning - Terminating Grants

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PROPOSED AREA BASED GRANT ALLOCATIONS (NON WORKING NEIGHBOURHOOD FUND PROJECTS)

Grant stream	Lead Dept	2008/09 Base
		£'000
Stronger Safer Communities Fund - BSC, ASB & DPSG elements	R&P	182
Young People Substance Misuse Partnership	R&P	41
Cohesion	R&P	26
Stronger Safer Communities Fund - Neighbourhood Element	R&P	413
		662

2009/10	
2009/10 Indicative Government Allocation	Revised allocation proposal
£'000	£'000
182	182
41	41
49	47
258	258
530	528

2010/11	
2010/11 Indicative Government Allocation	Revised allocation proposal
£'000	£'000
182	182
41	41
75	49
0	0
298	272

6.1 APPENDIX D

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Notes

1) The indicative Government allocations are sufficient to continue these schemes.

2) 2009/10 Budget allocations increased by more than 2.5% to reflect the Council's policy decision to largely passport the indicative Government allocations. For 2010/11 a 2.5% inflationary increase has been applied which is consistent with the Council's policy for increasing base budgets.

3) Items added Area Based Grant from 2009/10.

PROPOSED WORKING NEIGHBOURHOOD FUND ALLOCATIONS (AREA BASED GRANT)

Project	Lead Dept	2008/09 Base ('000)	2009/10 Proposed Allocation ('000)	2010/11 Proposed Allocation ('000)
Women's Opportunities - HBC	R&P	72	74	76
Enhancing Employability - HBC	R&P	3	8	8
Homelessness Project - DISC	R&P	91	159	163
Carers into Training and Employment - Hartlepool Carers	R&P	45	46	48
Targeted Training - HBC	R&P	107	119	122
Jobs Build - HBC	R&P	29	80	82
Workroute ILM - HBC	R&P	204	239	245
Progression to Work - Assisting local people into work - HBC	R&P	249	276	283
Volunteering into Employment - HVDA	R&P	81	100	102
Community Employment Outreach - OFCA	R&P	92	109	112
Community Employment Outreach - Wharton Annex	R&P	50	51	52
Community Employment Outreach - West View Employment Action Centre	R&P	12	51	52
Job Club - Owton Manor West Neighbourhood Watch & Resident's Association	R&P	40	41	42
West View Project	R&P	36	37	38
Hartlepool Worksmart - Improving the Employment Offer - HBC	R&P	17	28	29
Incubation Systems and Business Skills Training - HBC/OFCA	R&P	233	274	281
Business & Tourism Marketing - HBC	R&P	10	20	21
Financial Inclusion - HBC	R&P	0	40	40
Local Employment Assistance - OFCA	R&P	46	47	48
Jobsmart - HBC	R&P	35	36	37
Youth into employment - Wharton Trust	R&P	39	39	40

6.1 APPENDIX D

Project	Lead Dept	2008/09 Base ('000)	2009/10 Proposed Allocation ('000)	2010/11 Proposed Allocation ('000)
Introduction to construction - Community Campus	R&P	16	16	17
Adventure traineeship - West View Project	R&P	39	40	41
Employment support - Hartlepool MIND	R&P	50	51	52
Support for existing businesses to expand (new projects to be sought)	R&P	0	57	120
Active Skills - West View Project	R&P	26	26	27
Career Coaching - HVDA	R&P	36	37	38
Level 3 Progression - HCFE	R&P	81	83	85
Administration of LLP	R&P	4	4	4
Support for adults into Skills for Life and NVQ Level 2 courses including Citizenship Learning (new projects to be sought)	R&P	0	62	130
Safer Streets & Homes, Target Hardening	R&P	200	170	170
Dordrecht Prolific Offenders Scheme	R&P	125	128	131
NRF Project Assistant	R&P	24	25	25
ASB Officer & Analyst	R&P	70	71	73
COOL Project	R&P	65	67	68
FAST	R&P	190	194	199
Landlord Accreditation Scheme	R&P	10	10	10
LIFE - Fire Brigade	R&P	33	34	35
Neighbourhood Policing	R&P	0	200	200
HMR- Support for Scheme Delivery	R&P	120	123	126
Community Empowerment Network Core Costs	R&P	137	140	144
Community Chest	R&P	90	90	90
NAP Residents Priorities	R&P	221	221	221
NAP Development	R&P	40	40	40

6.1 APPENDIX D

Project	Lead Dept	2008/09 Base ('000)	2009/10 Proposed Allocation ('000)	2010/11 Proposed Allocation ('000)
Neighbourhood Renewal/Hartlepool Partnership	R&P	90	90	90
NR & Strategy Officer (including Skills & Knowledge)	R&P	50	51	53
TOTAL		3,208	3,904	4,110

Regeneration and Planning - Proposed 1% Additional Budget Reductions

Portfolio	Dept/ Div	Budget heading/ Cost Centre	Cost Centre Code	Corp Strategy theme	1. A description of the service pressure/ priority/ efficiency/ terminating grant/reduction 2. The risks if proposal not approved and any mitigating measures already taken or planned. 3.The benefit or outcome to be gained from the proposal.	Type of budget proposal	Efficiency Classification	Budget Value			Cost of achieving 1% reduction £000	Risk impact	Risk probability .	Risk score	Risk status	Rate the Diversity impact	Diversity strand(s)	Staffing Impact	Other Comments
								09/10 £000	10/11 £000	11/12 £000									
RS	R&PD P&ED	Economic Development: Contribution to Sub Regional Partnerships	19302	1. Jobs	Contribution to Joint Strategy Unit: It is understood that the JSU has recently been requested to reduce their budget to reflect the difficult budget situation which exists for all of the Tees Valley Local Authorities. This saving is based on an assumption that a 10% reduction could be achieved in total, ie a further 7% on top of the 3% efficiency already reported. Some adverse effect on the service provided is likely on a reduction at this level.	Efficiency	Dept.	15	0	0	0	2. Medium	3. Likely	6	Amber	Neutral	All	0	Probable affect on staff levels at JSU
RS	R & PD	Departmental Structures	n/a	9. OrgD	An additional 1% reduction would likely necessitate a reduction in staffing. A full assessment would need to be carried out to identify the post(s) and areas of work where such a reduction could be made with least impact on the overall service. Some redundancy cost may be incurred.	Efficiency	Dept.	44	0	0	n/a	2. Medium	4. Almost certain	8	Red	Neutral	All	1.0	
								59	0	0	0								

REGENERATION AND PLANNING SERVICES SCRUTINY FORUM

16 January 2009



Report of: Scrutiny Support Officer

Subject: SIX MONTHLY MONITORING OF AGREED
REGENERATION AND PLANNING SERVICES
SCRUTINY FORUM'S RECOMMENDATIONS

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To provide Members with the six monthly progress made on the delivery of the agreed scrutiny recommendations of this Forum since the 2005/06 Municipal Year.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 In accordance with the agreed procedure, this report provides information of the progress made against investigations undertaken by the Forum since the 2005/06 Municipal Year.
- 2.2 In doing so, attached as **Appendix A** is a Summary Report that breaks down progress made by investigation and **Appendix B**, provides a detailed explanation of each recommendation that is either 'expected to achieve target' or 'not expected to achieve target'.
- 2.3 In summary, Members may wish to note that since the 2005/06 Municipal Year 74% of this Forum's recommendations have been achieved, 24% are expected to be achieved, 2% are not expected to be achieved.

3. RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 That progress against the Regeneration and Planning Services Scrutiny Forum's agreed recommendations, since the 2005/06 Municipal Year, be noted and explored further where appropriate.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

Regeneration & Planning Services Scrutiny Forum**Performance and Operation of Private Rented Accommodation and Landlords**

G Target achieved 18

A Expect to achieve target 1

Partnerships

G Target achieved 23

A Expect to achieve target 1

Railway Approaches

G Target achieved 22

A Expect to achieve target 1

Youth Unemployment

G Target achieved 7

Availability of Good Quality Affordable Rented Social Accommodation

G Target achieved 6

A Expect to achieve target 5

Seaton Carew - Regeneration Needs and Opportunities

R Not expected to achieve target 2

G Target achieved 8

A Expect to achieve target 3

Hartlepool Borough Council's CCTV Provision

G Target achieved 4

A Expect to achieve target 18

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Appendix B

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Department: *

Scrutiny: Regeneration & Planning Services Scrutiny Forum

Division: *

Scrutiny Enquiry: *

R	Not expected to achieve target	2	1.7%
	Regeneration & Planning Services Scrutiny Forum	2	
A	Expect to achieve target	29	24.4%
	Regeneration & Planning Services Scrutiny Forum	29	
G	Target achieved	88	73.9%
	Regeneration & Planning Services Scrutiny Forum	88	
Total No. of Actions		119	

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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

NS/06-7/4	PERFORMANCE AND OPERATION OF PRIVATE RENTED ACCOMMODATION AND LANDLORDS
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Recommendation:

NS/06-7/4c	That the introduction of an incentive scheme to encourage landlords to become members of the accreditation scheme be further explored.
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NS/06-7/4c

Information to be gathered from other scheme operators about incentives offered and how they complement their scheme.
Prepare a report on potential schemes and likely costs.
Consult existing scheme members to assess take up.

April 2008 Incentives have been identified as a result of consultation with other local authorities and landlords. Two favoured incentives are being appraised and costed. The Landlord Registration Officer is now in post enabling further development of the scheme but with priority on integrating with the Selective Licensing Scheme.

Joanne Burnley

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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:					
RP/05-6/1		PARTNERSHIPS			

Recommendation:

RP/05-6/1a(i)	That the Council seeks to strengthen the feedback mechanisms (to the Local Authority) for its representatives on the Regional Assembly and that substitute arrangements for those representatives should be clarified.
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A	RP/05-6/1a(i)	The Constitution Working Group should consider establishing feedback mechanisms from its representatives on Partnerships to Council.	December 2009	Outline arrangements to be subject to discussion - CWG, as to the role of partnerships / constitutional arrangements. This action however, needs to be revised in the light of Central Government proposals for more localised decision making. Original Deadline December 2006.	Peter Devlin
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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

RP/06-7/2 RAILWAY APPROACHES

Recommendation:

RP/06-7/2j That the Authority develops an 'allotments policy' and consults allotment users in the development and implementation of this policy.

A RP/06-7/2j	A review of existing policy documents and future strategy for the improvement of all allotments within town is to be undertaken. This will include consultation with tenants and the development of allotment associations where none exist with a view to increasing devolved management.	March 2009 Allotment Policy progressing. Awaiting approval of PPG17 Open Spaces Strat. Draft Strat circulated to interested parties (Jan 09) inc. Allotment Assocs. Delay due to vacant Parks & Countryside Mgr post, J Mennear to progress. Original Deadline July 2008.	John Mennear
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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

RP/07-8/4 AVAILABILITY OF GOOD QUALITY AFFORDABLE RENTED SOCIAL ACCOMMODATION

Recommendation:

RP/07-8/4b That as part of the review of the local planning policy, provision be made for the identification of suitable sites for the provision of affordable housing.

A RP/07-8/4b(i)	Via the Local Development Framework (LDF) process develop the housing allocations Development Plan Document (DPD) which will allocate new market housing sites in the borough within which an element of affordable housing will be provided through the Affordable Housing Development Plan Document (see recommendation G). In accordance with LDF procedure this will follow on from the Core Strategy.	March 2010 Work progressing on evidence gathering for the Housing Allocations DPD including Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA). Identification of specific sites for affordable housing forms part of this work.Changes in Planning Regs relating to plan process mean Submission date for DPD will be December 2010, although draft new housing allocations and percentage requirement for affordable housing will have been established in advance of this.	Richard Waldmeyer
A RP/07-8/4b(ii)	The affordable housing Development Plan Document will seek to ensure appropriate provision of affordable housing on individual sites. See recommendation (G)	March 2010 The Affordable Housing DPD has been subject to public consultation. An Economic Viability Assessment is being prepared prior to the preferred options being selected to form the basis of the new policy to ensure appropriate provision of affordable housing on individual sites. The Economic Viability Assessment has been included at the request of Government Office NE as DPD's in other authorities have been found to be 'unsound' by the Planning Inspectorate.The timetable for completing the SPD has therefore been rescheduled with the Submission Document expected to be complete in October 2009.This is reflected in reports to Cabinet and Government Office.	Richard Waldmeyer

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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

RP/07-8/4 AVAILABILITY OF GOOD QUALITY AFFORDABLE RENTED SOCIAL ACCOMMODATION

Recommendation:

RP/07-8/4e That ways of working more closely in partnership with RSL's for the provision of affordable rented social accommodation in the town, and the development of opportunities contained within the Green Paper, be explored.

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RP/07-8/4e(ii)

Report to members on the Housing Green Paper for example on the impact of Local Housing Companies.

March 2009 The implications of the housing green paper have been assessed following the Housing green paper and housing act and the very significant change in market conditions, a report is proposed for Q1 in the context of new, emerging initiatives. A number of sites have been examined in partnership with locally based registered social landlords. The scale of land available makes an Local Housing Company an unlikely vehicle.

Penny Garner-Carpenter

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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

RP/07-8/4 AVAILABILITY OF GOOD QUALITY AFFORDABLE RENTED SOCIAL ACCOMMODATION

Recommendation:

RP/07-8/4g That local planning policy be revised, through the Local Development Framework, to require the provision within all new housing developments of good quality affordable housing, including rented social housing and accommodation for elderly / disabled and young / single residents.

A RP/07-8/4g	<p>This recommendation can be achieved through the production of an Affordable Housing Development Plan Document which will provide a coherent policy basis for negotiating affordable housing provision on new market housing developments. The Affordable Housing Development Plan Document has been brought forward to support the scrutiny process. It is currently at Issues & Options stage.</p> <p>The key stages of preparation will be prepared throughout 2008 with the final submission document prepared for consultation. It is one document within the Planning Local Development Framework (LDF).</p>	<p>December 2008 Considerable work has been undertaken on the DPD. The consultation on the Preferred Options Document of the Affordable Housing DPD was completed on schedule in September 2008. The submission of the final document has been rescheduled to enable an economic viability assessment to be undertaken (DPD's undertaken by other local planning authorities have been found to be 'unsound' by the Planning Inspectorate and Government Office for the NE have recommended that economic viability assessments be carried out on this DPD) & to comply with new Planning Regulations. The Affordable Housing Submission Document is now expected to be complete in October 2009 which is the revised milestone.</p>	Amy Waters
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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

RP/07-8/4 AVAILABILITY OF GOOD QUALITY AFFORDABLE RENTED SOCIAL ACCOMMODATION

Recommendation:

RP/07-8/4h That the Councils local planning policy be amended / updated to include provision for affordable accommodation, and in particular social rented accommodation.

A RP/07-8/4h	This recommendation will be addressed through the response to recommendation (G), through the preparation of the Affordable Housing DPD.	<p>February 2009 Considerable work has been undertaken on the DPD. The consultation on the Preferred Options Document of the Affordable Housing DPD was completed on schedule in September 2008. The submission of the final document has been rescheduled to enable an economic viability assessment to be undertaken (DPD's undertaken by other local planning authorities have been found to be 'unsound' by the Planning Inspectorate and Government Office for the NE have recommended that economic viability assessments be carried out on this DPD) & to comply with new Planning Regulations. The Affordable Housing Submission Document is now expected to be complete in October 2009 which is the revised milestone.</p>	Amy Waters
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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

RP/07-8/5 SEATON CAREW - REGENERATION NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Recommendation:

RP/07-8/5e That in recognition of the key role played by local businesses and groups, the benefits of re-establishing the former Seaton Carew Business Association together with a mechanism to encourage and support the involvement of the wider community (to include Seaton Carew's young people) be explored.

A	RP/07-8/5e(i)	Assess the demand for a Business Forum including taking soundings from the business community.	December 2008	The Economic Development Team has contacted all the business owners in Seaton Carew via questionnaire. A follow up meeting with the business owners is to be arranged before the end of March 2009 to feed back the results and identify further support required including the demand for a forum.	Andrew Golightly
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Recommendation:

RP/07-8/5f That the provision of integrated community facilities in Seaton Carew be supported, with the proviso that existing community facilities should not be removed until agreements are in place to deliver new / replacement facilities.

R	RP/07-8/5f	The future management of HBC owned assets and community facilities in Seaton will be subject to a detailed Cabinet report referred to in (b) and (i).	December 2008	The preparation of the report on Council owned assets and community facilities has been delayed slightly due to the need to assess issues around SeaChange and Growth Point bids. The planning briefs for these sites have been prepared and will be subject to public consultation in January 2009. The report to Cabinet will now be presented in March 2009.	Andrew Golightly
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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

RP/07-8/5 SEATON CAREW - REGENERATION NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Recommendation:

RP/07-8/5g That pending the outcome of Seaton Carew's Coastal Strategy Study, consideration be given to delaying the establishment of interim arrangements for the marketing and planning activity for land susceptible to flooding in and around Seaton Carew.

A	RP/07-8/5g(i)	Report to Cabinet from Director of Neighbourhood Services regarding the outcome of the Coastal Strategy Study. The results of the study will influence the timing of further marketing of main seafront development sites in Seaton.	January 2010	The consultants are progressing the Seaton Carew Coast Protection Strategy Study and this is currently on programme	Alan Coulson
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A	RP/07-8/5g(ii)	Other sites in Seaton brought forward for development will be subject to the standard flood risk analysis as part of the planning application process.	January 2010	The consultants are progressing the Seaton Carew Coast Protection Strategy Study and this is currently on programme	Alan Coulson
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Recommendation:

RP/07-8/5i That based on the strength of feeling expressed throughout the investigation, the Council should not dispose of land on either side of the road to the north of Seaton Carew (up to, and including, the Coronation Drive / Warrior Park site) for the purpose of further development.

R	RP/07-8/5i	Cabinet will reconsider this recommendation following the completion and consideration of the report into the potential marketing of development sites in Seaton Carew.	December 2008	The preparation of the report on Council owned assets and community facilities has been delayed slightly due to the need to assess issues around SeaChange and Growth Point bids. The planning briefs for these sites have been prepared and will be subject to public consultation in January 2009. The report to Cabinet will now be presented in March 2009.	Andrew Golightly
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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

RP/08-9/6 HARTLEPOOL BOROUGH COUNCIL'S CCTV PROVISION

Recommendation:

RP/08-9/6a(ii) That contributions to the operating costs of the Council's Community CCTV system be explored with: Court Costs - Where Community CCTV cameras have provided evidence that has resulted in a conviction.

A	RP/08-9/6a(ii)a	Seek advice on legal possibility of claim for CCTV costs from Chief Solicitor. Then if possible (i) brief court user group (ii) implement	April 2009	Expected to achieve target	Alison Mawson
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A	RP/08-9/6a(ii)b	Examine possibility of 'confiscation of assets' with Police	April 2009	Expected to achieve target	Alison Mawson
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Recommendation:

RP/08-9/6a(iii) That contributions to the operating costs of the Council's Community CCTV system be explored with: Cleveland Police - As the major users of the Community CCTV system in Hartlepool.

A	RP/08-9/6a(iii)a	Seek information from other areas where Police contribute to inform negotiations	April 2009	Expected to achieve target	Alison Mawson
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A	RP/08-9/6a(iii)b	Explore possible funding options with Police, including in-kind benefit	April 2009	Expected to achieve target	Alison Mawson
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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

RP/08-9/6 HARTLEPOOL BOROUGH COUNCIL'S CCTV PROVISION

Recommendation:

RP/08-9/6a(iv) That contributions to the operating costs of the Council's Community CCTV system be explored with: Local Businesses - Where cameras are in existence, a business case be presented highlighting the pre-emptive and reactive benefits of the CCTV cameras, value for money and the number of arrests achieved.

A	RP/08-9/6a(iv)a	Identify businesses in areas covered by cameras.	January 2009	Meeting proposed with Economic Development Team. Examining impact of Business Development Supplement.	Peter Gouldsbro
A	RP/08-9/6a(iv)b	Analyse crime and ASB in areas	January 2009	Meeting proposed with Economic Development Team. Examining impact of Business Development Supplement.	Peter Gouldsbro
A	RP/08-9/6a(iv)c	Research how other local authorities prepare case for financial contribution	January 2009	Expected to achieve target.	Peter Gouldsbro
A	RP/08-9/6a(iv)d	Analyse opportunities with HBC Economic Development team to introduce further Business Improvement Districts (BID)	January 2009	Meeting proposed with Economic Development Team. Examining impact of Business Development Supplement.	Peter Gouldsbro
A	RP/08-9/6a(iv)e	Progress Funding discussion with businesses	August 2009	Meeting proposed with Economic Development Team. Examining impact of Business Development Supplement.	Peter Gouldsbro

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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:					
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Recommendation:

RP/08-9/6b	That a detailed exercise be undertaken to calculate the costs of bringing the monitoring provision 'in-house' together with the feasibility of co-location with Cleveland Police.				
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A	RP/08-9/6b(i)	Develop options for establishing in-house provision	August 2009	Expected to achieve target	Alison Mawson
A	RP/08-9/6b(ii)	Explore feasibility of co-location with Cleveland Police	August 2009	Expected to achieve target	Alison Mawson

Recommendation:

RP/08-9/6c	That consideration be given to the future tendering for the monitoring of the Community CCTV camera system, to ensure that the Council continues to receive best value.				
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A	RP/08-9/6c(i)	Negotiate extension of existing SLA for initial period	August 2009	Expected to achieve target	Alison Mawson
A	RP/08-9/6c(ii)	Consider future tendering in conjunction with actions under recommendation (b)	August 2009	Expected to achieve target	Alison Mawson
A	RP/08-9/6c(iii)	Report to Members on the future of Community Monitoring Centre, including consideration of best value.	August 2009	Expected to achieve target	Alison Mawson

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Recommendation:

RP/08-9/6d That as major building developments take place in Hartlepool (e.g. Victoria Harbour), contractors be obligated to ensure that a network of ducting is laid, suitable to carry the Authority's fibre optic cables.

A	RP/08-9/6d	Establish how to identify opportunities for planning gain and negotiate Section 106 Agreements when opportunities arise.	December 2008	Report to go to Regeneration and Liveability Portfolio Holder.	Peter Gouldsbro
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Recommendation:

RP/08-9/6f That a trial of 'Talking Cameras' in Church Street / York Road be explored.

A	RP/08-9/6f	Establish sites for 'talking cameras'	April 2009	Specification currently being undertaken and planning implications under discussion.	Peter Gouldsbro
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Recommendation:

RP/08-9/6g That a planned series of public events highlighting the importance of the Community CCTV Cameras be arranged.

A	RP/08-9/6g(ii)	Establish plan to deliver minimum 2 presentations in each of North, Centre and South Neighbourhoods during 2008/09 and 2009/10	December 2009	2 presentations delivered to date. 3 more to be delivered to Police / Community Safety Forums during January 2009.	Peter Gouldsbro
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Recommendation:

RP/08-9/6h That following Cabinet's consideration of this Final Report, the Draft CCTV Strategy be re-submitted to the Cabinet incorporating the agreed recommendations from this enquiry and their implementation costs by the end of 2008.

A	RP/08-9/6h(i)	Undertake Diversity Impact Assessment	May 2009	Expected to achieve target	Brian Neale
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