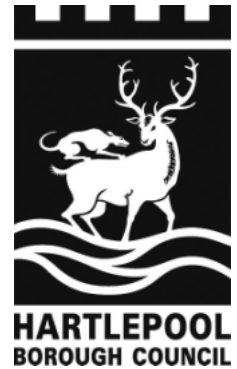


REGENERATION AND PLANNING SERVICES SCRUTINY FORUM AGENDA



Wednesday, 21 January 2010

at 3.00 pm

in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Victoria Road, Hartlepool

MEMBERS: REGENERATION AND PLANNING SERVICES SCRUTINY FORUM:

Councillors R W Cook, S Cook, Cranney, Gibbon, A E Lilley, London, McKenna, Rogan and Wright

Resident Representatives:

Ted Jackson, John Lynch 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 5 November 2009
- 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 Neighbourhoods Department: Budget and Policy Framework Consultation Proposals 2010/2011 - *Director of Neighbourhoods and Regeneration*

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

- i) Date of Next Meeting :- Thursday, 18 February 2010 at 3.00 pm in the Hartlepool Enterprise Centre, Brougham Terrace, Hartlepool

**REGENERATION AND PLANNING
SERVICES SCRUTINY FORUM**

MINUTES

5 November 2009

The meeting commenced at 3.00 pm in the Civic Centre, Hartlepool

Present:

Councillor: Councillor Trevor Rogan (In the Chair)
Councillors: Kevin Cranney, Steve Gibbon, Alison Lilley,
Frances London and Edna Wright

Resident Representatives:
Ted Jackson, John Lynch and Iris Ryder

Also Present: The Mayor, Stuart Drummond

Officers: Dave Stubbs, Director of Regeneration and Neighbourhoods
Alastair Smith, Head of Technical Services
Antony Steinberg, Economic Development Manager
Mick Emerson, Principal Economic Development Officer
(Business)
James Walsh, Scrutiny Support Officer
Denise Wimpenny, Principal Democratic Services Officer

32. Apologies for Absence

None.

33. Declarations of interest by Members

None.

34. Minutes of the meeting held on 24 September 2009

Confirmed.

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

None.

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

None.

37. Regeneration and Neighbourhoods Department: Budget and Policy Framework Initial Consultation Proposals 2010/11 (Scrutiny Support Officer)

At a meeting of the Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee held on 16 October 2009 it was agreed that the initial consultation proposals for 2010/11 be considered on a service area basis by the appropriate Scrutiny Forum. Given the recent restructure of departments within the Council, and creation of the Regeneration and Neighbourhoods Department and Child and Adult Department, the Director of Regeneration and Neighbourhoods had been invited to the meeting to provide an overarching view of the general risks facing departmental budgets and key policy issues for the year. Any comments/observations would then be fed back to the meeting of Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee on 27 November to enable a formal response to be presented to Cabinet on 14 December 2009.

At this stage of the budget process Cabinet had not identified specific efficiency proposals for individual departments as it was envisaged the savings necessary to balance the 2010/2011 budget would be achieved from the Business Transformation Programme.

The Director of Regeneration and Neighbourhoods and the Mayor, who were in attendance at the meeting, reported that whilst no budget pressures or priorities had been presented for consideration this year as a result of the Business Transformation Programme the future financial position remained a major concern for the Council. The impact the future financial uncertainties would place on the Council and the services provided were highlighted. With a predicted 5% minimum reduction in grant funding, it was anticipated that budget deficits would continue to increase.

Members commented on the excellent role that the Economic Development Team had provided, with a very limited budget. The Director of Regeneration and Neighbourhoods agreed that the Economic Development Team were a very important in the main non-statutory resource, however, the current budget position did not allow for extra funding to be allocated.

The Scrutiny Support Officer added that a more detailed financial position would be presented to the meeting of the Forum on 21 January 2010.

Recommendation

- (i) That the Regeneration and Neighbourhoods budget for 2010/11 be supported.
- (ii) That the comments of Members relating to the Economic Development Team, be noted.

38. Scrutiny Investigation into the Hartlepool Transport Interchange - Evidence from Transport Operators (*Scrutiny Support Officer*)

As part of the Forum's investigation into the Hartlepool Transport Interchange additional written evidence had been collated from the responses of the transport operators, Arriva North East and National Express, attached as appendices to the report which outlined their views in relation to their potential usage of the Hartlepool Transport Interchange.

Recommendation

That the information given, be noted.

39. Scrutiny Investigation into the Hartlepool Transport Interchange - Draft Final Report (*Chair of Regeneration and Planning Services Scrutiny Forum*)

The Chair referred Members to the draft final report following the Forum's investigation into the Transport Interchange.

The report included the terms of reference, methods of investigation, key findings in terms of the history of the development, evidence from site visit to the Interchange, current milestones, views of transport operators towards the Transport Interchange together with details of future functionality plans. The Forum had taken evidence from a wide range of sources to assist in the formulation of a balanced range of recommendations. The Forum's key recommendations to Cabinet were as outlined below:-

- (a) That signage in and around the Transport Interchange is clear and ensures users are fully aware of where amenities are located;
- (b) That the Council sets in place an agreed procedure with Network Rail to ensure that the unused platform is cosmetically enhanced and made aesthetically pleasing;
- (c) That a review is carried out with all transport operators as potential users of the Hartlepool Transport Interchange into the plans for layover areas and loading / unloading bays, with the aim of maximising out of hours usage; and
- (d) That a process is put in place to regularly review and keep Members informed of the development of the Hartlepool Transport Interchange with particular reference to usage and transport operator linkage.

Recommendation

That the draft final report, be agreed.

40. Scrutiny Investigation into Hartlepool's Business Incubation System (Scrutiny Support Officer)

The Scrutiny Support Officer presented a scoping report for the Forum's investigation into Hartlepool's Business Incubation System.

Aim of the Investigation

To gain an understanding of the Business Incubation System Strategy and how the businesses in Hartlepool are benefiting from this support with the ultimate aim of making Hartlepool more globally competitive.

Proposed Terms of Reference

- (a) To gain an understanding of the Business Incubation Business System Strategy;
- (b) To seek the views of local businesses of the value of the Business Incubation System in Hartlepool;
- (c) To explore the work of other support agencies involved in the role of business incubation;
- (d) To assess the effectiveness of the Business Incubation System in Hartlepool in comparison to national / local baselines; and
- (e) To examine the future development plans for the Business Incubation System.

Potential Areas of Enquiry/Sources of Evidence

- (a) Member of Parliament for Hartlepool;
- (b) Cabinet Member with Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Economic Development;
- (c) Director, or appropriate officers, from the Regeneration and Neighbourhoods Department;
- (d) Business Link;
- (e) UK Steel Enterprise (UKSE);
- (f) Local Businesses, who have had contact with Hartlepool's Business Incubation System;
- (g) Hartlepool Community Network;
- (h) Local residents; and
- (i) Ward Councillors.

Proposed Timetable

5 Nov 2009 – Formal Meeting of the Forum to Receive:-

- (i) Scoping Report.

4 Feb 2010 – *Possibility of meeting being held at Hartlepool Enterprise Centre (Brougham Terrace)*

Formal Meeting of the Forum to Receive:-

- (i) Setting the Scene Presentation;
- (ii) Evidence from Member of Parliament for Hartlepool; and
- (iii) Evidence from Portfolio Holder
- (ii) and (iii) subject to availability

February 2010 – Possible site visits to Hartlepool Enterprise Centre and Hartlepool Innovation Centre if Forum meeting venues for February and March are not altered.

4 Mar 2010 – *Possibility of meeting being held at Hartlepool Innovation Centre (Queens Meadow Business Park)*

Formal Meeting of the Forum to Receive:-

- (i) Evidence from local businesses;
- (ii) Evidence from other support agencies; and
- (iii) Comparison of Hartlepool's Business Incubator System to national figures and future developmental plans.

1 Apr 2010 – Consideration of Draft Final Report by Regeneration and Planning Services Scrutiny Forum

23 Apr 2010 – Consideration of Final Report by Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee

10 May 2010 – Consideration of Final Report by the Cabinet

In relation to the proposed timetable, Members were of the view that instead of separate site visits, Forum meetings should be held at Hartlepool Enterprise Centre, Brougham Terrace and Hartlepool Innovation Centre on 4 February and 4 March 2010 respectively.

Recommendation

That the proposed remit of the scrutiny investigation, as outlined above, be agreed.

41. Issues Identified from Forward Plan

None

42. Date of Next Meeting

It was reported that the next meeting would be held on Thursday 21 January 2010 in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Hartlepool.

The meeting concluded at 3.35 pm.

CHAIR

REGENERATION AND PLANNING SERVICES SCRUTINY FORUM

21 January 2010



Report of: Scrutiny Support Officer

Subject: REGENERATION AND NEIGHBOURHOODS
DEPARTMENT: BUDGET AND POLICY
FRAMEWORK CONSULTATION PROPOSALS
2010/2011

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To provide the opportunity, as part of the Budget and Policy Framework consultation proposals for 2010/2011, for the Regeneration and Planning Services Scrutiny Forum to consider the Regeneration and Neighbourhoods Department's pressures relating to the provision of Regeneration and Planning Services.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 At a meeting of the Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee held on 16th October, 2009, consideration was given to the Executive's Initial Budget and Policy Framework consultation proposals for 2010/2011 to 2012/2013. 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, 2009.
- 2.2 The comments/observations of each Forum were fed back to the additional meeting of the Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee held on 27th November, 2009 and were used to formulate the formal Scrutiny response to Cabinet. The Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee's formal response was received by Cabinet on the 14 December 2009 and taken into consideration during the finalisation of its Budget and Policy Framework Proposals for 2010/2011 on 22nd December, 2009. The Executive's finalised proposals were considered by the Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee on 15th January, 2010 and repeating the process previously implemented have again been referred to the appropriate Scrutiny Forum for consideration on a departmental basis.

- 2.3 To assist Members of this Scrutiny Forum in the consideration of the initial proposals, arrangements have been made for the Director of Regeneration and Neighbourhoods to be in attendance and an invitation to this meeting has also been extended to the relevant Portfolio Holder(s) (attendance subject to availability).

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Regeneration and Planning Services Scrutiny Forum: -
- a) as part of the Budget and Policy Framework initial consultation proposals for 2010/2011, consider the pressures relating to the regeneration and planning areas of service provision within the Regeneration and Neighbourhoods Department; and
 - b) formulates any comments and observations to be presented by the Chair of this Scrutiny Forum to the meeting of the Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee to be held on 29th January, 2010 to enable a formal response to be presented to the Cabinet on 8th February, 2010.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

REGENERATION AND PLANNING SERVICES SCRUTINY FORUM

21 January 2010



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.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 As Members will be aware, Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee on the 21 November 2007 approved the introduction of an electronic database to monitor the delivery of agreed scrutiny recommendations since the 2005/06 Municipal Year. Approval was also given for the introduction of a standardised six monthly cycle for the submission of progress reports to each Scrutiny Forum.
- 2.2 The newly created electronic database, to be known as the Scrutiny Monitoring Database, will run along the same principles as the Authority's former Corporate Performance Management Database and in addition to provision of standardised six monthly monitoring reports, as detailed above, will provide the Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee with a breakdown of progress against all Scrutiny Forums' recommendations on an Annual basis. The introduction of the new database will also provide the ability to produce 'real time' information of the progression of recommendations upon request.
- 2.3 In accordance with the agreed procedure, this report provides for Members information details of progress made against each of the investigations undertaken by the Forum. Attached as **Appendix A** is a Summary Report that breaks down progress made by investigation and **Appendix B**, provides a detailed explanation of progress made against each recommendation.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 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 19

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 7

A Expect to achieve target 4

Seaton Carew - Regeneration Needs and Opportunities

G Target achieved 9

A Expect to achieve target 4

Hartlepool Borough Council's CCTV Provision

G Target achieved 19

A Expect to achieve target 3

The Marketing of Hartlepool

G Target achieved 2

A Expect to achieve target 8

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Department: *
Division: *

Scrutiny: Regeneration & Planning Services Scrutiny Forum
Scrutiny Enquiry: *

A	Expect to achieve target	21	16.3%
	Regeneration & Planning Services Scrutiny Forum	21	
G	Target achieved	108	83.7%
	Regeneration & Planning Services Scrutiny Forum	108	
Total No. of Actions		129	

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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO: RP/05-6/1 PARTNERSHIPS					
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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	The "Reporting of Partnerships" to the Authority to be included through the Constitution Working Group's 'Work Programme' 2009/10. Original Deadline December 2006.	Peter Devlin
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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO: RP/06-7/2 RAILWAY APPROACHES					
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Recommendation:

RP/06-7/2d	That the Authority uses its Planning and Development Control powers proactively to enhance the Railway Approaches into the town.				
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A	RP/06-7/2d	Planning & Development Control powers to be used as appropriate, including reporting mechanisms via Planning Committee, subject to individual site considerations.	June 2010	Planning application for CJC site minded to approve by Committee June 2008: called in by Sec. of State Nov.08. Public Inquiry Nov 2009. Untidy Users at New Burn Bridge subject to discussions on planning conditions. Screening of site commenced July 2009 [update]Public Inquiry held 10-17 November 2009. S106 Legal agreement signed 3 December 2009. Inspector's decision awaited in January- February 2010. Legal agreement requires site clearance to be commenced within a specified time from any planning permission. Discussions with owners of Newburn Bridge premises continuing December 2009 with the owners and with the Environment Agency (original deadline June 2007)	Richard Waldmeyer
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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

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

Recommendation:

RP/07-8/4b 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.

<p>A RP/07-8/4b(i)</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>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 Dec 2010, although draft new housing allocations and percentage requirements for affordable housing will have been established in advance of this. [update]SHLAA to be reported to Cabinet 14 December and Planning Committee 6 January 2010. Affordable Housing DPD Preferred Options out for public consultation 31 October 2009 - 4 January 2010. Housing Allocations DPD to be published September 2011 as set out in the 2009 Local Development Scheme.</p>	<p>Richard Waldmeyer</p>
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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.

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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 has been 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 DPD has therefore been rescheduled with the draft Document expected to be complete in April 2010. This is reflected in reports to Cabinet and Government Office.[update]The Affordable Housing DPD is currently subject to Public consultation 31 October 2009 - 4 January 2010. Publication of Affordable Housing DPD in April 2010.

Richard
Waldmeyer

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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

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

Recommendation:

RP/07-8/4g 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>March 2010 The Affordable Housing Development Plan Document (DPD) is at Preferred Options stage and is currently out to consultation until Friday 8th January 2010. The Preferred Option is to seek a minimum affordable housing contribution of 10% on all residential developments of 15 dwellings or more. The minimum affordable housing provision will be negotiated on a site-by-site basis depending on the economic viability of schemes.</p> <p>The final Affordable Housing DPD will be published in April 2010 with a view to adopting the DPD no later than June 2011 (original deadline 12/08)</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.	March 2010	The Affordable Housing Development Plan Document (DPD) is at Preferred Options stage and is currently out to consultation until Friday 8th January 2010. The Preferred Option is to seek a minimum affordable housing contribution of 10% on all residential developments of 15 dwellings or more. The minimum affordable housing provision will be negotiated on a site-by-site basis depending on the economic viability of schemes. The final Affordable Housing DPD will be published in April 2010 with a view to adopting the DPD no later than June 2011 (original deadline 02/09)	Amy Waters
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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

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

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.

A	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).	January 2010	The preparation of the report on Council owned assests and community facilities has been delayed slightly due to the need to assess issues around SeaChange & Growth Point bids. The planning briefs for these sites have been prepared & will be subject to public consultation in Jan 09. The report to Cabinet will now be presented in Mar 09 [update]A series of detailed consultation events have been carried out including information drop- ins and questionnaires a summary of this information is expected to be reported to Cabinet in Aug 2009. (original deadline 31 December 08). The report regarding the potential development of sites was not considered in Aug to take account of the Seaton Carew Coastal Strategy Study report which was consulted on in Nov, as one of the sites is in close proximity to the existing sea defences. In addtion given the general economic conditions the timing regarding a decision on potential marketing of the sites is not urgent, however the consultation results will be reported to Cabinet in January 2010.	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 Strategy Study and a second public consultation was held in November 2009. The study is due to be complete and formally presented to the Environment Agency's National Review Group in April 2010. It is expected that the Environment Agency's review and approval.	Dennis Hancock
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	Expected to achieve target.	Dennis Hancock

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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

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

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.

<p>A RP/07-8/5i</p>	<p>Cabinet will reconsider this recommendation following the completion and consideration of the report into the potential marketing of development sites in Seaton Carew.</p>	<p>January 2010 The preparation of the report on Council owned assests and community facilities has been delayed slightly due to the need to assess issues around SeaChange & Growth Point bids. The planning briefs for these sites have been prepared & will be subject to public consultation in Jan 09. The report to Cabinet will now be presented in Mar 09 [update]A series of detailed consultation events have been carried out including information drop- ins and questionnaires a summary of this information is expected to be reported to Cabinet in Aug 2009. (original deadline 31 December 08). The report regarding the potential development of sites was not considered in Aug to take account of the Seaton Carew Coastal Strategy Study report which was consulted on in Nov, as one of the sites is in close proximity to the existing sea defences. In addtion given the general economic conditions the timing regarding a decision on potential marketing of the sites is not urgent, however the consultation results will be reported to Cabinet in January 2010.</p>	<p>Andrew Golightly</p>
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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 2010	Partnering arrangements to be considered by Cabinet on 14/12/09. Contract and specification will be developed during early 2010. Income generation and profit sharing will be one of terms of contract. Reclaiming costs associated with evidence gathering from CCTV cameras will generate income for the partnership and shared by Housing Hartlepool and HBC. (original deadline: April 2009)	Alison Mawson
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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)e	Progress Funding discussion with businesses	August 2010	Meeting undertaken. Ongoing examination of opportunities are being progressed. (original deadline August 2009)	Peter Gouldsbro
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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

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

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 2010	Equipment available .Relocation of Hartlepool CCTV Control Centre, scheduled Feb. 2010, advocates new installation of operator equipment more practical at new location. Transport Interchange commencement allows simultaneous fibres works for talking and new cameras installation. Report to Portfolio Holder to be presented.(original deadline April 2009)	Peter Gouldsbro
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**SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:
RP/08-9/7 THE MARKETING OF HARTLEPOOL**

Recommendation:

RP/08-9/7a That the residents and businesses of Hartlepool be encouraged to celebrate the visitor and business attractions that Hartlepool has to offer.

A	RP/08-9/7a(i)	Continue the image and awareness work that is embedded into business & tourism marketing.	March 2010	Raising profile of Hartlepool through Tall Ships activity and developing the brand further and incorporate into e marketing and printed materials.	Jo Cole
A	RP/08-9/7a(iii)	Continue the development of the "Buy local" campaign.	March 2010	Investigating methods of extending the scheme to the wider townwide business community. Particularly looking at this stage at businesses within the leisure and retail sector. Hartlepool Indoor Market Initiative incorporated within the 'Buy Local' campaign.	Mick Emerson

Recommendation:

RP/08-9/7b That the destinationhartlepool website should feature video footage of the visitors attractions in Hartlepool.

A	RP/08-9/7b	Research and review current video footage of Hartlepool Source approval to provide links / edit current material to integrate within the tourism website, destinationhartlepool Source or develop new footage to integrate within the website.	December 2009	Website video footage is being developed. First draft of Tall Ships video with bespoke soundtrack has been reviewed and will go live early in new year.	Jo Cole
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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

RP/08-9/7 THE MARKETING OF HARTLEPOOL

Recommendation:

RP/08-9/7c That residents within Tees Valley be encouraged to visit Hartlepool and that tourism officers from the region are given a guided tour of the attractions that Hartlepool has to offer.

A	RP/08-9/7c(i)	Design, print and distribute key promotional material for Hartlepool.	March 2010	Currently working on mini guide , eat guide and the hotels map. All due for publication in new year.	Jo Cole
A	RP/08-9/7c(ii)	Support visitTeesvalley campaigns which will provide additional marketing opportunities for Hartlepool.	March 2010	Discovery visits commenced in September 2009 , 2 held to date.Working with Visit Tees Valley on a Welcome to Tees Valley Training opportunity.	Jo Cole
A	RP/08-9/7c(iii)	Encourage Tees Valley and One Northeast tourism officers to engage in the Hartlepool Discovery Day.	June 2010	Discovery visits commenced in September 2009 , 2 held to date.Additional visit targetted One Ne and Tourism Officers, linked to Tall Ships. Working with Visit Tees Valley on a Welcome to Tees Valley Training opportunity. (original deadline June 2009)	Jo Cole

Recommendation:

RP/08-9/7d(i) That the signage into and around Hartlepool be:- (i) Reviewed, with particular reference to interpretation signage.

A	RP/08-9/7d(i)	Review and evaluate the tourism related signage and interpretation and produce rationalisation proposals for budget consideration.	April 2010	Inventory of existing brown signage and directional signage completed, proposed principles for rationalisation developed, feasibility and costing of necessary revisions underway with a view to reporting to Portfolio Holder(s) in final quarter, 2009-10. (original deadline: Dec 2009)	Stuart Green
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SCRUTINY INVESTIGATION INTO:

RP/08-9/7

THE MARKETING OF HARTLEPOOL

Recommendation:

RP/08-9/7d(ii)

That the signage into and around Hartlepool be:- (ii) Re-examined in relation to the use of an intermediary company who charges the Council for signage on roundabouts in Hartlepool with consideration about bringing 'in-house'.

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RP/08-9/7d(ii)

Roundabout sponsorship arrangements to be reviewed.

October 2010

Income generation is being considered across the Regen & Neighbourhood dept, of which signage on roundabouts will be one aspect. Income generation will be looking at maximising future income to the council. (original deadline October 2009)

John Brownhill