

**REGENERATION AND TECHNICAL  
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2009**

**PRESENT** – *Councillor McGarvey (in the Chair); Councillors Browne, Kay, Surve, K. Foster, Mike Johnson, Maxfield, Mulla and Tapp.*

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

Cllr Cottam	- Executive Member Regeneration
Peter Hunt	- Director for Regeneration
Tom Stannard	- Lead Officer
Paul Conlon	- Principal Scrutiny Officer
John Addison	- Scrutiny Officer

**RESOLUTIONS**

**1 Welcome and Apologies**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**2 Minutes of the Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2009**

**RESOLVED** – That the minutes of the meeting held on the 30<sup>th</sup> March 2009 be received and signed.

**3 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest made.

**4 Work of the Executive**

The Executive Member for Regeneration was invited to give the Committee a brief overview and update on performance data for his Portfolio, and to highlight any future decisions that he may be taking between this Committee and the Committees next meeting to be held in August 2009.

Members were also provided with a budget position statement for the Regeneration portfolio, which included progress on the efficiency reviews and the overall budget position for the department from the last financial year.

The Committee considered the performance data for the Regeneration Portfolio, the forward plan relating to the portfolio and the current position in relation to the budget.

The Executive Member for Regeneration informed Members that his department's end of year budget had not quite balanced and had overspent by 0.1% or £44,200. It was noted that this was due to the property management team moving into his portfolio from resources.

In response to a question around an additional £500,000 the department was spending on the Boroughs roads and could this sum be increased further, the Executive Member informed the Committee that since the Council regained control of its roads from Lancashire County Council, the Council had, where ever possible invested as much as it could in improving the Borough's road infrastructure.

Members held a discussion with the Executive Member for Regeneration and Officers regarding the forward plan and up coming decisions to be made.

**RESOLVED:**

- 1) That the report be noted.

**5 Work of the Executive and the Performance Agreement**

The Chair asked the Executive Member for Regeneration to outline his department's top five priorities for the next twelve months, what he considered to be his three biggest risks and the impact these may have.

The Executive Member for Regeneration outlined the strategic and operational priorities for his Portfolio over the coming year;

- Business Support
- PennieReach
- Christmas Parking
- Waste Procurement Programme
- Transport Dynamic

Members were also informed of the Portfolios biggest risks over the course of the next 12 months;

- Worklessness
- Waste Procurement

Members held a discussion with the Executive Member for Regeneration, in particular about waste procurement, the current global recession and its impact on his department.

## 6 Work Programme for the Year

The Lead Officer reminded Members of some of the issues highlighted throughout the Committees meeting, along with the Committees legacy items from the work plan for 2008/2009.

Members considered the Committees legacy items from the work plan for 2008/2009 and agreed that its investigation into the Worklessness was complete but still required to be monitored by the Committee. The Committee further agreed that a progress report should be provided to the Committee at its August.

The Principal Scrutiny Officer requested that Members discuss the potential topics for scrutiny in the forth coming year, with Members agreeing the following items to be scoped further:-

### **RESOLVED:**

- 1) That following consideration of the priorities and risks from the Regeneration portfolio, Members agreed the following work programme for the year:-

Worklessness: This would include the Working Neighbourhoods Fund, business support and the area enterprise centres, employment strategy, the recession and the employment pathfinder project.

Neighbourhood Regeneration: This includes the impact of the neighbourhood boards on regeneration in their area.

Highways issues: This includes upkeep of the highways, highways clutter etc and major developments in the area.

Signed.....  
Chair of the meeting at which the Minutes were signed

Date.....