

**REGENERATION AND NEIGHBOURHOODS
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
Wednesday 18th September 2013**

PRESENT – Councillors *Surve* (Chair), *Hardman*, *Nuttall*, *Entwistle*, *Whalley*, *Nuttall*, *K Foster* and *Cottam*.

Also Present –

Cllr Bateson	Executive Member for Regeneration
Cllr Talbot	Executive Member for Culture, Leisure, Sport & Young People
Martin Eden	Director for Culture, Leisure, Sport & Young People
Brian Bailey	Director for Regeneration
Paul Lee	Officer Support
John Addison	Principal Scrutiny Officer

RESOLUTIONS

11 Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Councillors F. Hussain.

12. Minutes of the Meeting held on 17th July 2013

RESOLVED –

That the Minutes of the meeting held on the 17th July 2013 be agreed as a correct record.

13. Declarations of Interest in items on this Agenda

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

14. Work of the Executive – Corporate Budget Monitoring Report 2013/2014

The Chair welcomed the Executive Member for Regeneration and the Executive Member for Culture, Leisure, Sport & Young People to the Meeting. Members were reminded that the Executive Members had been asked to update the Committee on their areas of the Corporate Budget Monitoring Report 2013/2014.

The Executive Members presented to the Committee an overview and update on items on the Corporate Budget Monitoring Report, highlighting a number of items for Members attention.

The Executive Member for Culture, Leisure, Sport & Young People reported to Members that his portfolio was looking to improve football pitches in the borough and that funding bids had been made to support this.

In response to a question regarding Turton Tower, the Executive Member for Culture, Leisure, Sport & Young People informed Members that the Tower was almost breaking even and that improvements were still ongoing.

RESOLVED –

That the Executive Member for Culture, Leisure, Sport & Young People and the Executive Member for Regeneration be thanked.

15. Work of the Executive – 2012/2013 Recommendations

The Chair asked the Executive Member for Regeneration to update the Committee on recommendations made by last years Regeneration and Neighbourhoods Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

The Chair reminded Members that they ahead received an update on last years Waste Recommendations at the Committees July meeting. It was noted that the Executive Member would provide Members with a further update at the Committee's November meeting.

Members were presented with a written response to each of the Committees recommendations of highways maintenance, which Members had previously been updated on.

The Executive Member informed Members that she would provide the Committee a response to their recommendations on Regeneration of Town Centres at a later date, as she had Officers currently drawing up plans that she wanted to share with the Committee in response to Members work last year.

RESOLVED –

That the Executive Member for Regeneration and Officers be thanked.

16. Committees work programme

The Link Chief Officer and the Principal Scrutiny Officer reminded Members of some issues and discussions that had taken place with the Executive Members, highlighting the main issues of debate that had been raised.

Members agreed that they would continue to work with the Policy and Corporate Resources Committee on Advice Services and attend the planed site visit on the 30th September 2013.

Members further agreed that they would hold a review into the development of the Empty Property Strategy between July and November 2013.

It was further agreed that at the November 2013 Committee, Members wished to receive an over view on Shisha Bars. Members also agreed that at the November meeting they would select a second Scrutiny Topic to run until March 2014.

RESOLVED –

That the update on the work programme be noted.

Signed.....

Chair of the meeting at which the Minutes were signed

Date.....