

Scrutiny Management Committee

23 July 2007

Report of the Head of Civic Democratic & Legal Services

Update on Implementation of Recommendations of Previous Scrutiny Reviews

Summary

1. This report provides Members with an update on the implementation of recommendations made as a result of the reviews completed since 2004.

Background

2. At a previous meeting of Scrutiny Management Committee, Members requested an update on the implementation of the recommendations made as a result of all completed scrutiny reviews since 2004 which were subsequently approved by the Executive. In February 2006 Members considered a report which highlighted those reviews and a decision was taken to write off any where full implementation had occurred. Members then requested that each of the outstanding reviews be looked at in detail with the relevant officers in attendance.
3. To date, SMC have only looked at one of the remaining reviews. This was in relation to the 'Cycling Policy and Provision of Facilities' and this was as a result of a request from Members of the ad-hoc scrutiny committee set up to look at 'Traffic Congestion in York', as they recognised that the implementation of those recommendations could assist them in part of their remit to consider alternative environmentally viable and financially practical methods of transport.

Consultation

4. Relevant officers within Directorates last submitted an update on the implementation of the recommendations for the outstanding reviews in February 2007 – see Annex A attached.

Options

5. For each of the remaining reviews, Members can:
 - a. Sign off those individual recommendations where implementation has been completed, and request further updates to clarify any outstanding recommendations, or;

- b. Agree to receive no further updates

Analysis

6. At the meeting of SMC on 18 June 2007, Members received an update on the scrutiny review of 'Cycling Policy & Provision of Facilities', which raised a number of queries and Members requested that officers attend the next meeting of SMC to provide a response.

Corporate Objectives

7. This process of monitoring the implementation of approved recommendations will contribute to improving our organisational effectiveness.

Implications

8. There are no known Financial, Human Resources, Equalities, Legal, ITT or Other implications connected to this report".

Risk Management

9. In compliance with the Councils risk management strategy, there are no known risks associated with this report.

Recommendations

10. Members are asked to:
- i) note the contents of this report
 - ii) decide if they wish to carry on receiving updates on these remaining reviews
 - iii) if they do want to receive further updates, agree which review they would like to look at next

Reason: To raise awareness of those recommendations which have still to be implemented.

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Wards Affected:

All

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Background Papers: None

Annexes

Annex A - Summary of all reviews completed since June 2004