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Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to Scrutiny Board (Regeneration)

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Subject: Recommendation Tracking

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	⊠ Yes	☐ No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	☐ Yes	⊠ No

Summary of main issues

- 1. This report sets out the progress made in responding to the recommendations arising from the previous Scrutiny Inquiry into the future of Kirkgate Market.
- 2. The Scrutiny recommendation tracking system allows the Scrutiny Board to monitor progress and identify completed recommendations; those progressing to plan; and those where there is either an obstacle or progress is not adequate. The Board will then be able to take further action as appropriate.

Recommendations

- 3. Members are asked to:
 - Agree those recommendations which no longer require monitoring;
 - Identify any recommendations where progress is unsatisfactory and determine the action the Board wishes to take as a result.

1 Purpose of this report

1.1 This report sets out the progress made in responding to the recommendations arising from the previous Scrutiny Inquiry into the future of Kirkgate Market.

2 Background information

- 2.1 Following its Inquiry into the future of Kirkgate Market, the former City Development Scrutiny Board published its final report and recommendations on 18th May 2011. In accordance with the Scrutiny Procedure Rules a formal response as to the progress made in implementing those recommendations is now required.
- 2.2 The Scrutiny recommendation tracking system allows the Board to monitor progress and identify completed recommendations; those progressing to plan; and those where there is either an obstacle or progress is not adequate. The Board will then be able to take further action as appropriate.

3 Main issues

- 3.1 A standard set of criteria has been produced to enable the Board to assess progress. These are presented in the form of a flow chart at Appendix 1. The questions in the flow chart should help to decide whether a recommendation has been completed, and if not whether further action is required.
- 3.2 To assist Members with this task, the Principal Scrutiny Adviser has given a draft status for each recommendation. The Board is asked to confirm whether these assessments are appropriate and to change them where they are not. Details of progress against each recommendation is set out within the table at Appendix 2.

4 Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

4.1.1 Where internal or external consultation processes have been undertaken with regard to responding to the Scrutiny Board's recommendations, details of any such consultation will be referenced against the relevant recommendation within the table at Appendix 2.

4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

4.2.1 Where consideration has been given to the impact on equality areas, as defined in the Council's Equality and Diversity Scheme, this will be referenced against the relevant recommendation within the table at Appendix 2.

4.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

4.3.1 This section is not relevant to this report.

4.4 Resources and Value for Money

4.4.1 Details of any significant resource and financial implications linked to the Scrutiny recommendations will be referenced against the relevant recommendation within the table at Appendix 2.

4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

4.5.1 This report does not contain any exempt or confidential information.

4.6 Risk Management

4.6.1 This section is not relevant to this report.

5 Conclusions

5.1 The Scrutiny recommendation tracking system allows the Board to monitor progress and identify completed recommendations. Progress in responding to those recommendations arising from the Scrutiny Inquiry into Integrated Offender Management is detailed within the table at Appendix 2 for Members' consideration.

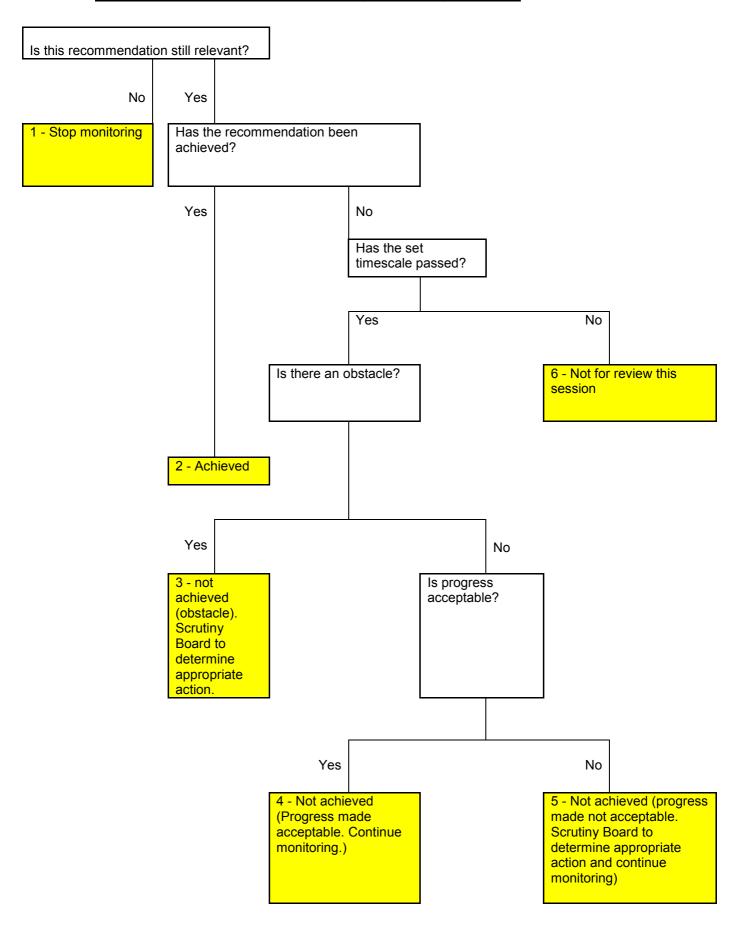
6 Recommendations

- 7.1 Members are asked to:
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7 Background documents

7.1 The Future of Kirkgate Market – Scrutiny Inquiry Report May 2011.

Recommendation tracking flowchart and classifications: Questions to be Considered by Scrutiny Boards



Inquiry into Integrated Offender Management

Categories

- 1 Stop monitoring
- 2 Achieved
- 3 Not achieved (Obstacle)
- 4 Not achieved (Progress made acceptable. Continue monitoring)
- 5 Not achieved (Progress made not acceptable. Continue monitoring)
 6 Not for review this session

Recommendation for monitoring	Evidence of progress and contextual information	Status (categories 1 – 6) (to be completed by Scrutiny)	Complete
Recommendation 1 That the Safer Leeds Partnership Executive ensures that the Leeds IOM Operational Guidelines for the Rehabilitation and Resettlement strand of IOM provides sufficient clarity about the structures and lines of accountability within the Leeds IOM Hub and are widely disseminated amongst all partners	Formal Response (received January 2011) Operational guidelines for IOM will be managed and monitored by the newly formed Reducing Re-offending Board that reports direct to safer Leeds Executive. The Board integrates the previous IOM Strategic Group and the Intensive Alternatives to Custody Group. Current position:		

Recommendation 2 That the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods leads on ensuring that particular attention is given to improving the connectivity of employability support services for offenders as part of the Leeds Works and Skills Plan	Formal Response (received January 2011) Works and Skills is a key section of the Leeds Reducing Reoffending delivery Plan 2011 – 2014 which is to be presented to the Safer Leeds Executive at the January 2011 meeting. The links between Education, Training and Employment are clearly made and work is underway to further strengthen these ties. Current position:	
Recommendation 3	Formal Response (received January 2011)	
That the West Yorkshire Crown		
Prosecution Service :	Neil Moloney, Head of Leeds Probation, will liaise with Neil Franklin,	
	Chief Crown Prosecutor, to progress this and will report back in 6	
(i) Incorporates procedures within the West Yorkshire Charging Scheme which ensures that Duty	months time	
Prosecutors double check whether	Current position:	
an individual is a Prolific or Priority Offender and part of an Integrated Offender Management cohort at the point of providing pre-charge advice		
(ii) Liaises with CPS Direct to conside the feasibility of adopting similar procedures as part of the out-of- hours charging service		

Recommendation 4	Formal Response (received January 2011)	
 (i) That the Leeds Strategic IOM Board and the West Yorkshire Crown Prosecution Service work together to explore and develop appropriate mechanisms for ensuring that a consistent approach towards PPO cases is being adopted by the regional charging team, with particular focus on how evidence and advice provided by the Police, Probation Service and Offender Managers/Case Workers is used in the public interest. (ii) That the Safer Leeds Partnership conducts a progress review over the next 12 months and shares its findings with the Scrutiny Board 	Interim reports in relation to the Scrutiny Board's recommendations have been included in the Safer Leeds Executive programme of work for 2011-12. Current position:	
Recommendation 5 That the Leeds Strategic IOM Board and the West Yorkshire Criminal Justice Board give consideration to the development of having a local dedicated IOM Court in order to best utilise partnership resources.	Formal Response (received January 2011) A scoping review will be commenced to look at the viability of a dedicated IOM Court in Leeds similar to the currently established Domestic Violence and Drugs Courts. The resource and training implications for magistrates will be closely assessed when compared with the current volume of work experienced by the Leeds Courts. Current position:	

Recommendation 6	Formal Response (received January 2011)	
That the Chief Crown Prosecutor for	Neil Malanav, Haad of Laada Duahatian viili liajaa viith Nail	
the West Yorkshire Crown Prosecution	Neil Moloney, Head of Leeds Probation, will liaise with Neil	
Service considers how they can be	Franklin, Chief Crown Prosecutor, to progress this and will report back in 6 months time	
more proactively involved in the development of policy and process for	back in 6 months time	
integrated management in Leeds.	Current position:	
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Recommendation 7	Formal Response (received January 2011)	
That the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods seeks to ensure that the Deter Young Offenders Scheme within the Leeds Youth Offending Service remains a priority in terms of local authority funding and continues to champion the scheme amongst the criminal justice and other partner agencies in his capacity as Chair of the Safer Leeds Partnership Executive	The Leeds DYO Scheme is currently funded through Police and other direct grants. The local authority has not been required to contribute to this scheme. The importance of the scheme is seen as a priority and the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods will continue to champion it across the city. Current position:	
Recommendation 8	Formal Response (received January 2011)	
That the Leeds Offender Health and Social Care Partnership Board effectively feeds into the work of the new Alcohol Management Board in reviewing progress on the 2008 – 2020 Leeds Alcohol Harm Strategy and agreeing a revised action plan for 2010 – 2013	The issues raised by the Scrutiny Board will be included in the January agenda of the Leeds Offender Health and Social Care Partnership Board to ensure progress is made in reviewing progress on alcohol treatment services for the city. Current position:	

Recommendation 9	Formal Response (received January 2011)	
That the Safer Leeds Partnership Executive ensures that the performance framework linked to the Partnership's future plans/strategies for reducing reoffending includes clear measurements on the effectiveness of offender management	A major piece of work is currently underway to evaluate the economic viability of DIP/IOM procedures. The Home Office together with Hallam University and Manchester Metropolitan University are engaging with Leeds to develop a up to date break even analysis of the scheme's cost effectiveness. Current position:	
Recommendation 10	Formal Response (received January 2011)	
That the Safer Leeds Partnership Executive leads on developing existing communication frameworks to help further raise the profile of offender management amongst local communities. In particular, attention should be given to better publicising how the IOM approach has helped to benefit local communities. That a progress report is brought back to Scrutiny within 6 months	It was agreed by the Board in January that an update report would be submitted to Scrutiny during 2011/12. Current position:	
Recommendation 11 That the Safer Leeds Partnership Executive ensures that appropriate information sharing mechanisms are put in place to enable local intelligence about prolific and other priority offenders to be shared effectively with Ward Councillors	Formal Response (received January 2011) West Yorkshire Police Superintendent of Community Safety will discuss the implications of information sharing arrangements in relation to criminal intelligence with the Director of Environments and Neighbourhoods to agree a way forward in relation to this recommendation.	

	Current position:	
Recommendation 12 That the Chair of Safer Leeds Partnership Executive reports back to Scrutiny with details of the evaluation conducted by the Ministry of Justice and Home Office on the six IOM pioneer areas and includes the response of the Safer Leeds Partnership Executive to this evaluation.	Formal Response (received January 2011) The Ministry of Justice and the Home Office have withdrawn the Sheffield Hallam review into the IOM pioneer areas from the public domain and as a consequence it will not be available for dissemination by the partners. It will, however, be seen from the response contained in Recommendation 9 above that Leeds is benefiting from some of the work undertaken in that review.	
	Current position:	