

**REPORT FOR: OVERVIEW AND
SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Date:	23 February 2010
Subject:	Final Report of Sustainability Review
Responsible Officer:	Alex Dewsnap, Divisional Director Partnership Development and Performance
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Exempt:	No
Enclosures:	Sustainability Review Final Report

Section 1 – Summary and Recommendations

This report sets out the final report of the Sustainability Review and details the recommendations the review group would like the committee to consider.

Recommendation:

The Committee is requested to:

- I. Note the observations of Sustainability Review group
- II. Consider and endorse the recommendations included in the report therein
- III. Refer the report to Cabinet

Section 2 – Report

Background

This report outlines the details and findings of the Sustainability Review that was carried out between May 2009 and January 2010. The review was commissioned by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to explore how far the council has progressed with incorporating sustainability into its objectives and priorities. The review group was required to make recommendations where appropriate, for more robust policies and structures to be put in place.

Financial Implications

Any costs arising from the recommendations will be contained from existing budgets.

Performance Issues

There are no performance considerations specific to this report. Where specific projects are escalated for more detailed consideration in the scrutiny process, specific performance implications of these projects will be considered during the scoping process.

Environmental Impact

Sustainability is relevant to two of the council's corporate priorities to 'Deliver cleaner and safer streets' and 'Building stronger communities' which in turn reflect residents concerns regarding the quality of the environment. The recommendation of the review aims to support the successful delivery of these two priorities.

Risk Management Implications

There are none specific to this report.

Corporate Priorities

Not applicable to this specific report.

Section 3 - Statutory Officer Clearance

Not applicable to this specific report.

Section 4 - Contact Details and Background Papers

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Background Papers: None