



Overview & Scrutiny Committee 28th May 2008

Report from the Director of Policy & Regeneration

For Action

Wards Affected: ALL

Voluntary Sector Task Group Report – Update on Implementation of Recommendations

1.0 Summary

1.1 This report provides an update on the implementation of the Voluntary Sector Task Groups recommendations.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 To comment on the implementation of the task group's recommendations

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 In October 2006 the Overview & Scrutiny Committee set up a task group to investigate Voluntary Sector Funding, particularly in relation to Main Programme Grant (MPG) funding.
- 3.2 The task group's report was agreed by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee on 30th May 2007 who forwarded to the Executive.
- 3.3 The Executive discussed the report on 16th July 2007 and asked officers from Housing & Community Care to develop an action plan for revising the Main

Programme Grant process taking the task group's recommendations into account.

- 3.4 On 18th March 2008 the Executive received a report from the Director of Housing and Community which set of proposals for changing the Main Programme Grants scheme. These recommendations were agreed.
- 3.5 Members will recall that in December 2007 the Overview & Scrutiny Committee agreed a new mechanism for monitoring whether or not task group recommendations had been implemented. The Committee was also keen to find out timescales involved and who the lead officers were. The table at appendix a sets out this information in relation to the Voluntary Sector Task Group's recommendations
- 4.0 Financial Implications
- 4.1 None
- 5.0 Legal Implications
- 5.1 None
- 6.0 Diversity Implications
- 6.1 None
- 7.0 Staffing/Accommodation Implications (if appropriate)
- 7.1 None

Background Papers

Voluntary Sector Task Group Report Minutes of the Executive 16/7/07 Minutes of the Executive 18/3/07

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