CABINET MEMBER FOR ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Venue:	3rd Floor conference room, Bailey House, Rawmarsh Road, Rotherham	Date:	Monday, 7 February 2005
		Time:	9.00 a.m.

AGENDA

- 1. To determine if the following matters are to be considered under the categories suggested, in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972.
- 2. To determine any item which the Chairman is of the opinion should be considered later in the agenda as a matter of urgency.
- 3. Opening of Offers. (report attached) (Page 1)
- 4. Manor Close, Rawmarsh Extension of Footway. (report attached) (Pages 2 4)

Technician to report.

- to report the receipt of a request for the footway to be extended on Manor Close.
- 5. LGC Awards 2005. (copy attached) (Pages 5 22) Head of Streetpride to report.
 - to report that Streetpride had been short-listed for the LGC Award.
- 6. Streetpride Performance Response Times. (report attached) (Pages 23 26) Head of Streetpride Service to report.
 - to report the response times for the last quarter of 2004.
- 7. 2005/2006 Local Transport Capital Expenditure Settlement. (report attached) (Pages 27 32)

Transportation Unit Manager to report.

- to report the contents of the 2005/2006 Local Transport Settlement letter.
- 8. Development Control: Scheme of Delegation. (report attached) (Pages 33 40)

Head of Planning and Transportation Service to report.

- to report proposed amendment to the scheme of delegation.
- 9. CONFERENCES/SEMINARS (Pages 41 44)
 - to consider the HELM CPD Seminar Series. (information attached)

10. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

The following items are likely to be considered in the absence of the press and public as being exempt under the paragraphs, indicated below, of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972:-

11. CERB Funding Requested by Wath Montgomery Partnership. (report attached) (Pages 45 - 47)

Economic Strategy Manager to report.

- to consider funding for feasibility study into renewable energy at Wath Montgomery Hall.

(Exempt under Paragraphs 5 and 8 of the Act – information relating to applicant for financial assistance and proposed expenditure)

12. Initial Implications of the Civil Contingencies Act 2004. (report attached) (Pages 48 - 57)

Head of Asset Management to report.

- to define initial implications for the Council of the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 and draft regulations 2005.

(Exempt under Paragraphs 1 and 8 of the Act – staffing and financial implications)

13. Revenue, Fee Billing, Trading and Capital Resources Monitoring Report 2004/2005. (report attached) (Pages 58 - 71)

Executive Director to report.

- to report performance against budget for the Economic and Development Services Programme Area for the period April to December 2004.

(Exempt under Paragraph 8 of the Act – report contains financial information)

Extra exempt items authorised for consideration by the Chairman:-

14. Dinnington Car Park and Landscape Scheme, Laughton Road. (report attached) (Pages 72 - 80)

Project Officer to report.

to seek approval for the implementation of a hard landscape scheme, including the resurfacing of the car park and associated lighting scheme adjacent to the Dinnington Resource Centre and Library on Laughton Road.

(Exempt under Paragraph 9 of the Act – report contains contractual information)

15. EBusiness Vision Centre - Selection of Preferred Bidder. (report attached) (Pages 81 - 83)

Partnership Implementation Officer to report.

to select a preferred bidder

(Exempt under Paragraph 9 of the Act – report contains contractual information)

ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO CABINET MEMBER

- 1. MEETING:- ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES ISSUES (DELEGATED POWERS)
- 2. DATE: 7th FEBRUARY, 2005

3. OPENING OF OFFERS

I wish to report the opening of offers by the Cabinet Member, Economic and Development Services, as follows:-

on 24th January, 2005, for the following:-

- Land to the rear of Swinton House Club, Swinton
- Land at Apollo Street/SandhillRoad, Rawmarsh, Rotherham

4. RECOMMENDATION

That the action of the Cabinet Member be recorded.

ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL - REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	
		Economic and Development Services
2.	Date:	07 February 2005
3.	Title:	Manor Close, Rawmarsh – Extension of Footway Ward 7
4.	Programme Area:	Economic and Development Services Matters

5. Summary

To report the receipt of a request for the footway to be extended on Manor Close, Rawmarsh, to allow pedestrians to enter and exit an adopted public footpath.

6. Recommendations

It be resolved that

- i) The footway be extended,
- ii) Design and implementation be undertaken in the financial year 2005/06

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7. Proposals and Details

A lay-by currently exists outside number 12 Manor Close, Rawmarsh. Vehicles are parking in this lay-by and by doing so are obstructing the footpath which ends at this location making it difficult for pedestrians to enter or exit the footpath.

It is proposed that the footway currently in place on Manor Close be extended across this lay-by to allow pedestrians to use this footpath unobstructed.

8. Finance

Local Transport Plan Integrated Transport 2005/6

9. Risks and Uncertainties

Some residents who use the area for parking may object and if upheld the footway would not be extended. In the hierarchy of road users, improving pedestrian facilities should take precedence over parking provision.

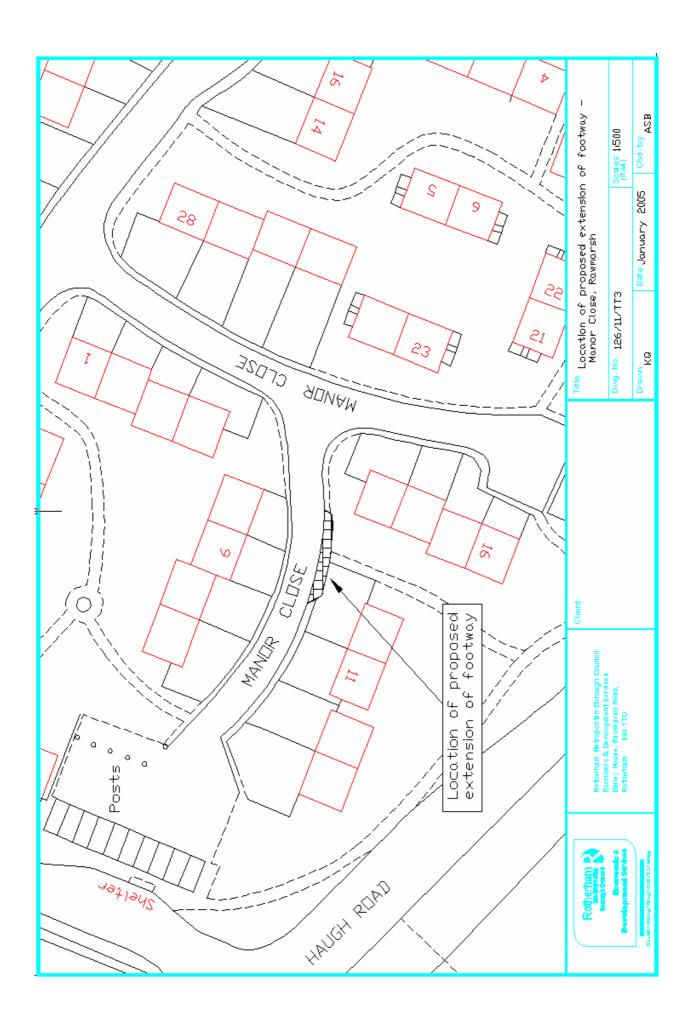
10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

By providing a footpath at this location it will improve conditions for pedestrians.

11. Background Papers and Consultation

Appendix A – Drawing Number 126/11/TT3

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ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet Member - Delegated Powers Meeting
2.	Date:	7 February 2005
3.	Title:	LGC Awards 2005
4.	Programme Area:	Economic and Development Services

5. Summary

Streetpride have been short-listed for a top national award - the LGC Environment Award 2005. Representatives from the Council have been invited to attend an awards evening on 14 March 2005 when the overall winner will be announced.

6. Recommendations

- (a) That the report be noted, and
- (b) That Streetpride be congratulated on this excellent achievement.

7. Proposals and Details

It was announced on 14 January that Streetpride have been short-listed for a top National Award - The LGC Environment Award. The bid for this award was put together by Streetpride in September 2004.

The LGC (Local Government Chronicle) Awards for 2005 have received applications from hundreds of Local Authorities across the UK and they "celebrate the very best in Local Government".

"It is important to reward excellence in Local Government. We should recognise Councils and Council staff who are delivering top-quality services. We want to encourage every Council to aspire to the levels of the highest performers" - Nick Raynsford MP, Minister for Local and Regional Government.

To be short listed in itself is an excellent achievement, joining Authorities such as Kent County Council, Telford and Wrekin Council, Westminster City, Knowsley MBC and so on - all deemed excellent Councils.

The results of the Award will be known on the 14 March 2005. We will be competing against:-

- Belfast City Council
- Dacarum BC
- Manchester City Council
- Southampton City Council
- Tower Hamlets LBC

8. Finance

All costs incurred in preparing for the award and attending the awards evening on 14 March will be met from existing budgets.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

None

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

Being short-listed for this national environmental award reflects the significant contribution made by Streetpride over the past 18 months in delivering on the Council's sustainability agenda.

11. Background Papers and Consultation

None.

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Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council







LGC Awards

Environment Award 2005









EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In 2002 Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council carried out a major survey, asking the people of Rotherham what improvements they wanted to their environment. Based on their responses, the result was Streetpride, a Councilwide service launched in 2003.

Streetpride tackles environmental concerns such as litter, graffiti, fly-tipping, vandalism and other anti-social behaviour. The method used was to integrate fully, all activities and functions which affect the street scene across the Borough, and make them customer-focused and responsive to local needs.

To deliver these objectives we have:

- Re-engineered the business by establishing a Customer Contact Centre incorporating 'state of the art' CRM technology, with a 'one stop' number for all Streetpride enquiries.
- Developed and promoted the Streetpride 'brand'.
- Made a real contribution to reducing Crime and Disorder .
- □ Given the service back to the community by attending every single Area Assembly meeting and delivering on our promises
- Handed part of our budget back to local people so that they can make a real difference to their area.
- □ Introduced area based working to promote ownership among both the workforce and the local community.
- Set ourselves stretching targets for 'response times' to 26 of the most common requests for service
- Achieved continuous improvement in meeting these response times

Introduction

After a series of initiatives improving the day-to-day quality of life for residents and businesses, Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council decided to do even more.

In late 2002 it carried out a major survey of its residents, asking people what they thought about their environment. Based on their responses, the result was Streetpride, a borough-wide service launched in September 2003. Its aim – to tackle environmental concerns such as litter, graffiti, fly-tipping crime and vandalism whilst at the same time maintaining the roads, footpaths, verges and street lighting to the highest possible standards. The method – integrate fully all activities and functions that affect the street scene across this 110-sq-mile (285ha) borough, and make them customer-focused and responsive to local needs. Borough-wide publicity campaigns, a dedicated Contact Centre, area-based working and empowered staff are the key features.

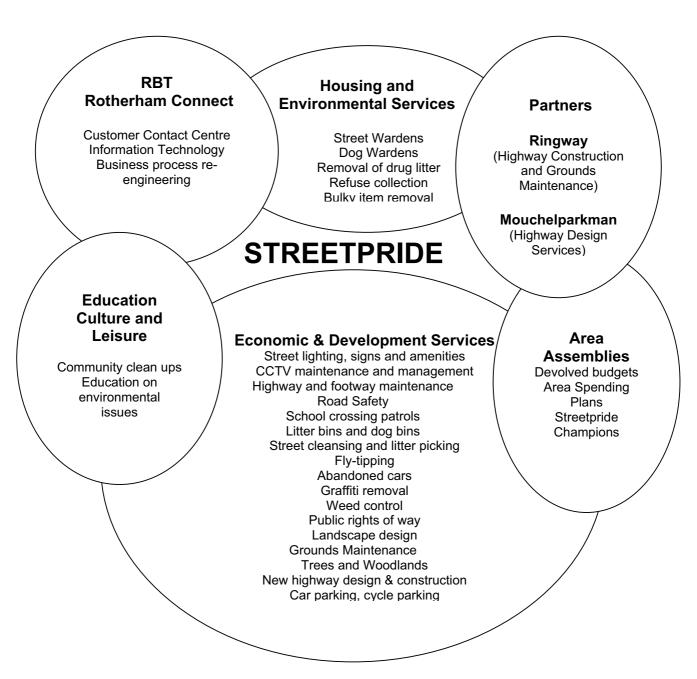
Scope

Streetpride embraces not just the lead Programme Area – Economic & Development Services – but also includes services provided by two other Programme Areas and two external partners.

The customer contact elements were then reengineered in partnership with BT and a system developed so that all customer contacts could be managed effectively and efficiently through a one stop telephone number.



This organisational diagram shows the wide ranging scope of Streetpride and allows an understanding of the responsibilities and who deals with what:



Each Programme Area had to redefine its responsibilities and restructure to ensure that the philosophy was embraced and that agreed performance measures could be achieved.

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ISO 9001 Accreditation

The Economic and Development Services Programme Area has a fully integrated Quality Management System and, after much hard work, achieved ISO 9001 Accreditation in September 2004. The Quality Management system includes Streetpride and ensures a consistently high level of service delivery to customers.

The Streetpride Mission is "To work with the community to maintain and improve the street scene to a standard that will promote civic pride and community responsibility."

The Streetpride Vision is to make first impressions count – a key recognition was that residents and visitors alike should gain a pleasant first impression of Rotherham from the appearance of its streets.

The Streetpride Ethos of pride in serving the public is possible only if staff are committed and enthusiastic. Streetpride staff are proud to do it, and they look the part, dressed appropriately for the tasks, in a clear house-style. The aim is for them to be "Ambassadors for Rotherham". As such they are able to give basic information and advice on any of the services provided by the Council or its partners.

Community Empowerment

Streetpride is part of a wider mission to encourage a sense of Rotherham Pride. The engagement of local communities has to be effective to instil and reinforce that sense of pride, responsibility and achievement. To do that, part of the Streetpride budget is devolved to local communities via the borough's eight Area Assemblies. From a standard fully priced "shopping list", they can make their own choices on what to spend the money on, which not only improves the areas but enhances local democracy.



Employment Opportunities and Social Inclusion

In July 2003, the whole Council achieved 'Investors in People' accreditation and the philosophy behind this has been particularly relevant to the development of Streetpride

Streetpride is a major local employer, able to offer high-quality employment and training in a wide range of skills. Particular emphasis is placed on working with

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the long-term unemployed and youth offenders to help them gain skills and experience necessary to gain employment.

A number of schemes are in operation including the promotion of voluntary work using the 'Make a Difference' register, extensive training of the long-term unemployed via 'Step-Up' schemes, and 'Reparation Order' work for youth offenders. 'Community Service Order' work for offenders is also to be introduced in Streetpride later this year.

Although in their early stages, these initiatives are already bearing fruit in terms of people obtaining permanent employment after leaving the schemes.

Branding

This is a key issue that contributes to shaping the image of the whole Council. Streetpride uniforms and vehicles carry the Streetpride logo and the easy-to-remember telephone number.



At approximately 2km intervals along strategic routes into Rotherham, Streetpride's bright banners fly from lamp-posts, giving the telephone number and a simple message about the service. This branding philosophy has been extended across all Service and Programme Areas involved, clearly demonstrating the joined-up thinking behind Streetpride.

Golden Telephone Number (336 003)

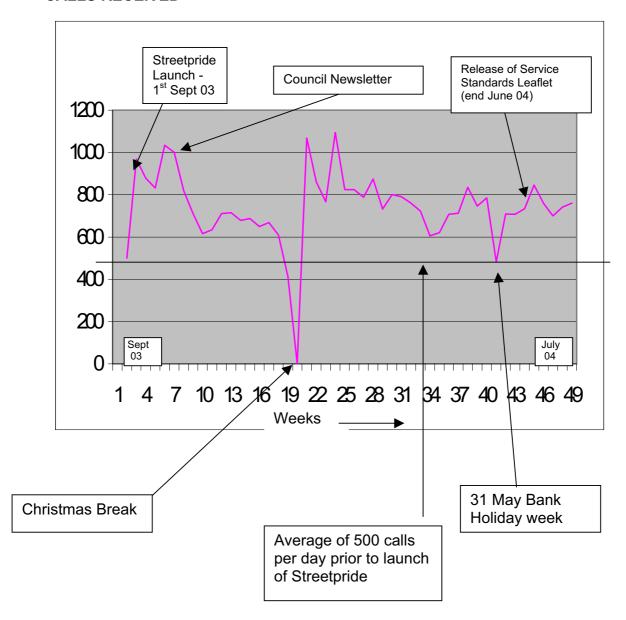
Streetpride is primarily aimed at improving services and engaging the community in their delivery. Chief among image and branding issues is the introduction of a simple, easy-to-remember, golden telephone number which is displayed prominently on street banners, vehicles and literature. The Streetpride number was also publicised on local radio with the jingle: 'Phone us and tell us what you see on double-three six, double-oh three'



In addition, a Streetpride 'Service Standards' leaflet was delivered to every home in Rotherham in June 2004. This leaflet lists the services Streetpride can provide, and sets out what service customers can expect in terms of coverage and response times. Included on the leaflet is the Streetpride golden number.

All calls are routed to a contact centre formed in a Council-BT partnership. A joint venture company (RBT Connect) manages the centre. A graph showing call-rates before and after the Streetpride launch is shown below:

CALLS RECEIVED



Customers like the new arrangements and have given positive feedback.

Monthly random sampling of 100 customers (by telephone) has shown that 98% of customers find the new service either easy or very easy to use



These are extracts from some of the letters received:

GKP: "I must congratulate you on the prompt way the matter was dealt with and I was very impressed with the standard of the clearance work"

IK: "Thanks for always replying to my letters and being so nice on the telephone, too"

EC: "Once again, thank you very much for caring enough to do something about our problem."

Area-based working

To encourage pride and ownership, among staff and residents, area-based delivery is a core principle. Specific area teams were set up to carry out work in each Area Assembly area. These include cleansing (mechanical and manual), litter-picking, fly-tipping removal, graffiti removal, weed control - and basic highway maintenance, such as repairs and potholes.

Again, this has resulted in positive feedback

LT: "Thank you for the excellent job you made of cleaning up our village"

C L"... what a pleasure it is to see someone who takes a pride in their work"

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Environmental Management

The Council has a target in its 'Environment Action Strategy 2003-2006' to develop an Environmental Management System across all the Council's main services. Streetpride is leading the way and below are a few examples of what has been achieved:

- 1. Most of the detritus collected by the three Mechanical Road Sweepers (approximately 1500 tonnes per year) is now recycled as a substitute for raw materials in the production of cement.
- 2. In partnership with Ringway Highway Services, Streetpride has established a recycling Centre. All surplus materials from highway works (excluding small patching works) are now taken to the recycling centre, crushed and re-used in further highway works.
- 3. Recycled glass is being used as hard stone in major maintenance and construction schemes.
- 4. The majority of road resurfacing in Rotherham is now being undertaken using the waste product steel slag from the local Steelphalt plant. In addition, this material has less rolling resistance which helps to save fuel and lowers tyre noise.
- 5. Use of a "Hotbox" allows tarmac materials to be kept for use over several days. This prevents excess materials being wasted every day and reduces the number of trips to fetch materials.
- 6. Streetpride has carried out successful trials of an infra-red heater system which allows defects in the highway to be repaired without the need for excavation. Negotiations are now well advanced to purchase the system.

Environmental Wardens and Dog Wardens

Streetpride recognises the needs for active enforcement and education to support neighbourhood clean-up initiatives and has a very active Environmental and Dog Warden Team. They ensure that people follow the law regarding such issues as littering, fly-tipping, dog fouling and stray dogs. This team also works with schools and local community groups to promote a greater sense of community pride.



The range of penalties varies depending on the type and seriousness of the offence;

- Fixed penalties of £50 for littering and dog fouling
- Fines through court of up to £20,000 and / or imprisonment for serious illegal deposits of waste

Between April and July 2004, the wardens issued 109 fixed penalty notices for littering and 38 for dog fouling.

Nationally the performance of our enforcement team is in the top 5% of councils who serve fixed penalty notices

Again, letters received from the public demonstrate that the new approach is working:

DG: "...Just to say what a super clean-up job has been done in two quite local areas ..."

G P: "We would like to thank all the people who work on the Streetpride team for the way they are improving our area"

J J: "... the work they are doing is outstandingly impressive"

RB: "I would just like to say a big thank you for the gentleman who ensures my local roads never have any litter on them, even when I am off work I see him regularly collecting litter and I never see any other roads looking this good"

Campaigns

'Toxic'

A new education package called 'Toxic' has recently been developed and is now being delivered to all Secondary Schools in Rotherham. The Britney Spears song 'Toxic' forms the musical backdrop to the campaign which is designed to inform secondary school children of the environmental impacts of dropping litter.

It is a hard-hitting campaign combining music, images and videos to help deliver the message that environmental crimes of whatever nature are not acceptable including littering by schoolchildren. Interaction with the children is made easier and fun with the use of mobile radio microphones.

The children are then advised that uniformed officers will be visiting the areas where there are litter problems and issuing fixed penalty notices of £50 to anyone witnessed dropping litter. The initiative is currently exclusive to Rotherham but it

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is hoped that the campaign may become nationally recognised and adopted by other local authorities.

'Don't be a Tosser'

The 'Don't be a Tosser' campaign has recently been introduced and will be officially launched later this year. The campaign targets motorists who discard litter from their vehicles. It draws attention to the environmental problems caused and the £50 fixed penalty fines levied on offenders

Voluntary surrender of scrap vehicles

This recently launched campaign, which includes posters on local buses, is aimed at reducing the number of abandoned cars and publicises Streetpride's free vehicle-surrender service.



Crime and Disorder

A key feature of Streetpride is its role in tackling crime and disorder issues, thereby fulfilling the Council's obligations under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act. Streetpride works closely with the Safer Rotherham Partnership to ensure joined-up thinking on all such issues

More than 400 staff are clearly identifiable as Streetpride team members, and are equipped and trained to act as eyes and ears for the community, police and other enforcement agencies. Most have mobile phones or radio communication links with Streetpride's CCTV control room, which is staffed 24 hours a day 365 days of the year. This allows immediate distribution of information to those who can respond - including the Police, Neighbourhood Wardens, Environmental Wardens and Traffic Wardens.

All front-line staff are receiving 'Eyes and Ears' training organised jointly with the Police to enable them to be even more effective in dealing with crime and disorder issues.

The Streetpride Neighbourhood Warden Scheme

This is at the forefront of the drive to reduce crime and disorder.

Neighbourhood Wardens provide the links between the community and other agencies such as Housing and Environmental Services, Housing Associations, and the Police. They provide highly visible patrols on the streets and won a national ENCAMS 'Clean and Safe' award in November 2003. In addition, an independent survey by ENCAMS in 2003 showed 98% of streets in Rotherham with an acceptable standard of cleanliness.

The service has so far dealt with over 3,000 complaints - all closed to the customers' satisfaction. A 95% graffiti removal rate has been achieved in Rawmarsh following the creation of the youth activity 'Project External Gallery' involving over 60 young people.



Again, feedback from the public has been positive:

JTW: "The council is to be congratulated for its efforts towards improving the environment in our area. It makes everyone feel so much better and is a good advertisement to anyone thinking of living or setting up business here. Keep up the good work, we all benefit long term."

EP: "Thanks for your hard work which you have put in Bradgate Park, Clifton Park - most likely all parks ...visitors to Rotherham must envy us"

HH: "Many thanks for your help... it is good to know there are some other kind people out there"

P M: "Congratulations for the excellent work"

Performance Management

Local Performance Indicators (LPIs)

Local Performance Indicators have been developed covering areas such as highway cleanliness, removal of fly-tipping, road accidents, network condition, highway Inspections, utilities works, blocked gullies, streetlighting, highway defects and winter maintenance. Most of these indicators have displayed a trend of continuous improvement since Streetpride was launched despite the increased demand for services.

Members of the public agree as demonstrated by the following extracts from letters received:

DF: "We both commented on how well maintained the town looked in terms of general cleanliness and the state of the roads. Rotherham certainly compares very favourably to many Metropolitan Boroughs that I visit."

PW: "It is with some pride that I write to commend your workforce for the thorough and professional job."

PDG: "I am most grateful to you for following through this work and for your prompt and efficient action"

National Best Value Performance Indicators (BVPIs)

All BVPIs covering the activities of Streetpride are regularly monitored with the aim of reaching national upper quartile performance in all Indicators. Last year Streetpride achieved upper quartile performance in 3 out of 8 national indicators.

Response times

Target response times have been set for 26 of the key 'reactive' services undertaken by Streetpride. Actual performance achieved for all 26 services is monitored on a monthly basis and reported to Senior Management, and the relevant Cabinet Members. The results are also published on the Council's Website and in regular council newsletters.

Continuous improvement has been made in virtually all response times since Streetpride was launched. This has been achieved despite a continuously rising demand for most services following the launch of Streetpride.

Waste Management Best Value Inspection

In July 2004 the Audit Commission inspected the Council's Waste Management service (waste collection and disposal, street cleansing, environmental education and enforcement) and awarded the Council a **2 Star "Good**" service rating with "**Promising**" prospects for improvement. The award acknowledges the changes made under the Streetpride initiative to significantly improve the environmental well being of people who live and do business in Rotherham.

Comments within the Inspection reports about Streetpride were positive:

- "We asked ourselves when we came into Rotherham, does it feel different to its neighbours....and yes, it does. We can see you are trying to do something different".
- "We like the use of Streetpride and branding, bringing services together".
- "We were very impressed with the litter education and enforcement campaign".
- "The Streetpride service is making best use of available staff and resources to make sure that it delivers".
- "The service is responsive to service requests. It is customer focused and this is reflected in the standards that it communicates".
- "The service positively seeks to encompass best practice"
- "The tour was very helpful and helped us to get thinking seeing the graffiti project was useful, very imaginative".
- "The establishment of Streetpride has shifted emphasis from financial efficiency to outcomes and meeting customers' needs by delivering joined-up and more flexible services".

Streetpride was officially launched in September 2003. In just one year we have:

- Given the service back to the community by attending every single Area Assembly meeting to "stand up and be counted" for our service. This has made a major impact – an Area Assembly chair recently said: "Streetpride is making an instant impact on focused service delivery"; and later: "Streetpride is making a difference at a local level".
- □ Handed part of our budget to local people so that they can make a difference to their area. They have devised eight area spending plans comprising some 140 schemes.
- □ Introduced area-based working to promote "ownership" among the workforce and the community.
- Made a positive contribution to the Crime and Disorder agenda. We are involved at the strategic level through the Rotherham Safer Partnership and at the sharp end by training all our outside staff to become the "eyes and ears" of the community.
- □ Introduced and promoted the Streetpride brand, including a full range of banners, new uniforms and re-liveried vehicles.
- Completely reorganised to eliminate the old CCT "client" and "contractor" splits and brought together teams – those who order work with those who deliver.
- □ Re-cast the budgets into team budgets to reinforce the team culture and encourage "ownership" of the service.
- □ Re-engineered our business. All Streetpride services are accessible on one "golden number" and most issues are resolved by the first contact.
- □ Produced a Service Plan that contains clear actions and targets geared towards the Councils Corporate Plan and the Community Strategy.
- Set ourselves targets for response times for 26 common reports. These are not covered in other Key Performance Indicators and we are achieving 100% success on 22 of them. We have also achieved continuous improvement in most local and national performance indicators.

ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL - REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet Member - Delegated Powers Meeting
2.	Date:	7 February 2005
3.	Title:	Streetpride Performance Response Times
4.	Programme Area:	Economic and Development Services

5. Summary

Results for the last quarter of 2004 are presented in tabular form in Appendix 1. They show that overall, despite the effect of the Christmas holidays, performance was broadly similar to the previous quarter, with 18 out of 26 targets being met 100% of the time.

6. Recommendations

- (a) That the report be noted, and
- (b) That Streetpride continue to monitor performance response times and report to the Cabinet Member quarterly.

7. Proposals and Details

The Streetpride Service has a set of targets covering 'response times' for 26 key services. Our actual performance achieved in respect of each of these targets is recorded and monitored monthly.

The results indicate that overall, performance was very similar to the previous quarter, with 18 out of 26 targets being met 100% of the time throughout the quarter. In December 2004, only five services did not consistently meet the specified targets, these being as follows:

Streetlight out	(83%)
Dangerous defect on footpath	(90%)
Removal of fly tipping	(96%)
Removal of dog mess	(96%)
Request for warden visit	(91%)

Action is continuing to further improve performance in these 5 areas.

8. Finance

All costs incurred in meeting these response times are contained within existing budgets.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

Streetpride is a high profile Council Service and after 21 months of continuous improvement, performance response times have now reached a plateaux. There is a risk that if the demand for services rises, there may be a reduction in performance response times compared to the current levels being achieved.

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

Improving Streetpride's response times in respect of all 26 services makes a significant contribution to the delivery of the Council's Sustainability and Safer Rotherham agendas - particularly in respect of the removal of abandoned cars, fly tipping and graffiti, as well as the repair of street lighting faults and highway defects.

11. Background Papers and Consultation

Appendix 1 - Streetpride response times (produced jointly with Housing and Environmental Services)

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APPENDIX 1 - STREETPRIDE RESPONSE TIMES

		STREETPRIDE RESPONSE TIMES		Number of requests	% meeting target response time	Number of requests	% meeting target response time	Number of requests	% meeting target response time	% meeting target response times	% meeting target response times	
Resp		Request for Action	Target Response 2004/05	Oct-04	-04	Nov-04	-04	De	Dec-04	Cumulative (Year to Date)	Average this quarter	Comments
Steve	1(a)	Make safe dangerous	If necessary, the danger will be signed and guarded within4 hrs.	-	100%	1	100%	0	100%	100%	100%	Target fully met this quarter
Wibberley	1(b)		Cutting back will be carried out within 5 days .	1	100%	1	100%	2	100%	100%	100%	Target fully met this quarter
Steve	2(a)		If necessary, the danger will signed and guarded within 4 hrs.	0	100%	0	100%	0	100%	100%	100%	Target fully met this quarter
Wibberley	2(b)	overnanging trees/vegetation on private land.	After 14 days a 14 Day notice will be served on the owner and then cutting back will take place.	7	100%	11	100%	9	100%	100%	100%	Target fully met this quarter
Graham Weaver	ო	Estimate/license for vehicular dropped crossing.	Within 10 working days from receipt of a formal request.	25	84%	32	100%	10	100%	97.2%	94.7%	Target fully met in November and December
Bob Stevenson	4	Street light out.	3 working days for a non supply fault.	383	89%	520	83%	322	83%	80.9%	85.0%	Performance dropped slightly in November and December due to increased demand and the Christmas holiday. The average time to repair a street lighting fault during the quarter was 3.2 days
II O YOUNG	5(a)	Capture II of II of the Capture	All lights out - 4 hrs	4	100%	7	100%	12	100%	100.0%	100.0%	Target fully met this quarter
	5(b)		Single bulb failure -24 hrs	5	100%	13	100%	4	100%	99.1%	100.0%	Target fully met this quarter
Steve Wibberley	9	Dangerous defect in carriageway.	4 hrs after being reported by the public	17	100%	24	%96	10	100%	98.3%	98.7%	Target fully met in October and December.
Steve Wibberley	7	Dangerous defect on footpath.	4 hrs after being reported by the public	22	96%	18	94%	10	%06	97.1%	93.3%	Performance dropped slightly in December due to the Christmas holiday
Nigel Deffley	8	Removal of fly tipping	1 working day	239	95%	279	%26	220	%96	84.1%	93.3%	Performance continuing to improve
Janet Walklate	6	Removal of dog mess	Within 2 working days	23	100%	27	100%	28	%96	98.9%	98.7%	Target fully met in October and November.

APPENDIX 1 - STREETPRIDE RESPONSE TIMES

ž	Request for Action	Target Response 2004/05	Ö	Oct-04	Z	Nov-04	De	Dec-04	Cumulative (Year to Date)	Average this quarter	Comments
10(a)		Burnt out - within 24 hrs	-	100%	7	100%	0	100%	97.2%	100.0%	Target fully met this quarter
10(b) Remova	Removal of abandoned car.	Wreck - 10 working days	4	100%	4	100%	0	100%	100.0%	100%	Target fully met this quarter
10(c)		Runner - 15 working days	4	100%	-	100%	-	100%	100%	100%	Target fully met this quarter
Make sa 11 public ar water or	Make safe missing cover e.g. public and private sewers, gas, water or BT apparatus.	4 hrs to make safe and inform the owner. Owner to carry out repairs.	16	100%	21	%56	7	100%	98.8%	%86	Target fully met in October and December.
Clear up spill carriageway.		4 hrs	38	100%	52	100%	33	100%	100.0%	100%	Target fully met this quarter
13 Empty c	Empty overflowing litter bin/dog 4 hrs bin	4 hrs	4	100%	-	100%	е	100%	100.0%	100%	Target fully met this quarter
14(a) Clear ble	Clear blocked gully causing	4 hrs to sign and guard with,	-	100%	0	100%	0	100%	100.0%	100%	Target fully met this quarter
severe p	severe ponding.	blockage relieved within 1 working day.	80	100%	4	100%	-	100%	100.0%	100%	Target fully met this quarter
Empty n 15 reported missed),	nissed wheelie bin (if within 24 hrs of being	Same or next working day.	82	100%	63	100%	59	100%	100.0%	100%	Missed refuse collections make up part of local indicator HES88. Current cumulative performance indicates that the year end target for this indicator will be met.
Remov receipt	Remove bulky item (after receipt of payment).	10 working days.	909	100%	289	100%	628	100%	100.0%	100%	Target fully met this quarter
17 Remov graffiti	e racist or offensive	Within 24 hrs subject to agreement of property owner.	9	100%	18	100%	19	100%	100.0%	100%	Target fully met this quarter
18 Reque	Request for a Warden visit	98% within 5 working days.	122	%96	131	%66	.co	91%	98.2%	95.3%	Target fully met in November .In the year to date there have been 1287 requests for the Environmental Wardens to investigate Enviro-crime incidents. In the quarter 99 litter and 31 dog fouling fixed penalty notices were issued. The total number of fixed penalty fines issued from the 1st April 2004 is 298 and 92 respectively. Performance for the year is ahead of target.
19 Clearu	Clear up drug litter	95% within 3 hours	11	100%	24	100%	16	100%	100.0%	100%	Target fully met this quarter. For the year to date 199 notifications of drug litter have been removed to safety. All were removed within the 3 hour target. The Neighbourhood Wardens have removed in excess of 50% (103) of the drug litter reported. Performance is ahead of target.
20 Repor	Report of a stray dog	85% actioned within 24 hrs .	06	83%	<u>-</u>	%96	83	91%	90.3%	90.0%	Target fully met in November and December. From the 1st April 2004 there have been 905 dog warden notifications. Performance is ahead of target.
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ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	Economic and Development Services Matters
2.	Date:	7 February 2005
3.	Title:	2005/2006 Local Transport Capital Expenditure Settlement
4.	Programme Area:	Planning and Transportation Service

5. Summary

South Yorkshire's overall performance has been rated as 'average'. The Annual Progress Report for 2004 is considered to be a marked improvement on the 2003 report and gives a much clearer picture of the progress being made in delivering our LTP. This improvement in performance is not reflected in increased financial allocations. Overall Rotherham has been allocated less than in 2004/2005. The maintenance settlement is particularly disappointing.

6. Recommendations

Cabinet Member is recommended to:

- (a) note the Local Transport Capital Expenditure Settlements for 2005/2006, and
- (b) refer the matters to Cabinet and Regeneration Scrutiny for information.

7. Proposals and Details

The LTP was submitted to Government in July 2000 and contains an integrated transport strategy and a costed programme of measures to improve local transport over a five year period, across South Yorkshire (Minute 1 of Cabinet Member and Deputy meeting of 7 August 2000 refers). The APR for 2003/2004 was submitted to Government Office for Yorkshire and the Humber on 31 July 2004 (Minute 4 of Delegated Powers Meeting, 28 June 2004 refers).

The settlement letter sets out decisions regarding how well the APR has been received and assessed as well as detailing the authority's 2005/2006 allocations for major schemes, maintenance, integrated transport and the supplementary bid to support the Objective 1 Programme.

(a) Funding Allocations

Overall, South Yorkshire has been awarded a total block allocation of £39,327,000 for 2005/2006, made up of £19.5m for integrated transport, £14.092m for maintenance and £5.735m supplementary. This and Partner's allocations are detailed in the table below.

£m	Maintenance	Integrated Transport	Supplementary Bid	Total
Barnsley	3.094	2.517	1.200	6.811
Doncaster	3.063	3.311	0	6.374
Rotherham	2.291	2.868	1.735	6.894
Sheffield	5.644	5.928	2.600	14.172
SYPTA	0	4.875	0.200	5.075
Total	14.092	19.500	5.735	39.327

The maintenance allocation follows the national formula which has been weighted differently this year. The integrated transport allocation has been split according to the agreed percentages for South Yorkshire. The supplementary bid has been allocated to individual authorities in the amounts approved by Ministers, on the basis of the bid, although the bid has not been supported in full. This relatively poor award should be viewed with concern not least because it potentially jeopardises the securing of Objective 1 monies set aside for transport investment. This matter is to be raised with DfT as a matter of urgency. We retain full freedom to 'teem and ladle' between IT and Maintenance (providing it is in pursuance of targets in the LTP) but the supplementary award can only be used in support of transport schemes and projects linked to the Objective 1 programme.

(b) Major Schemes (>£5m)

The settlement letter comments on all the 'committed majors' in South Yorkshire as well as new schemes submitted since the LTP was prepared. Appendix A gives a resume. It should be noted that the DfT now require a re-appraisal of the A631 West Bawtry Road and A57 Improvement Schemes when the schemes are submitted for full approval.

(c) APR Feedback

To compare LTP authorities across the county, DfT score each authority on their APR (including a weighting for the LTP which decreases annually to reflect the emphasis on delivery). In 2003, for the 2004/05 settlement, the APR was scored at 55% which just put South Yorkshire in the 'weak' category. This year our score has risen to 58% which just puts us in the 'average' block. Despite this improved performance, our overall settlement and most individual allocations are less than last year. Rotherham's Maintenance allocation is particularly disappointing. It seems those authorities such as Rotherham who have made progress improving road condition are being 'rewarded' with less allocation in the next year. The carriageway maintenance element in particular has been reduced by £1.47m, some 56% on the 04/05 allocation, though other Districts have seen an increase in overall Maintenance allocations.

It is disheartening that despite our APR being "a marked improvement on last year and (giving) a clear picture of the progress made in delivering (the) Local Transport Plan" and "good progress in delivering (the) programme of schemes for 2004/05" as well as the aforementioned score of 'average', there is no recognition in the settlement of this improvement. Indeed the overall settlement is some 3% less than last year (£39.377m as compared with £40.520m). However the DfT is awarding no performance funding to any authority in 2005/06 but points to the likelihood that Ministers will seek to take account of past good performance when setting long term funding allocations for second round LTPs. This should be of some concern to South Yorkshire not only because our comparative performance has been weak in LTP1, but also because it potentially locks us into a funding regime based on previous weakness, irrespective of the quality of LTP2 and the improvements we have put in place to address delivery issues. Nonetheless we do need to continue with the momentum we have created. The DfT considers our spending performance to be disappointing, pointing to significant variances from the Plan. Their key issue is that we are assessed as being on track on only about half our targets. South Yorkshire remains the lowest scoring of the metropolitan areas.

8. Finance

South Yorkshire is receiving a total block allocation for 2005/06 of £39.327m (excluding 'majors'). Rotherham has been allocated £2.291m for Maintenance, £2.868m for Integrated Transport and £1.735m for transport schemes and projects that support the Objective 1 programme, a total of £6.894m. For comparison purposes, the equivalent figures for last year (2004/05) are £40.520m, £2.885m, £2.913m, £2.215m and £8.013m. Notwithstanding year on year comparisons, the overall trend on Maintenance in Rotherham is downward. This trend is continued by the indicative allocations for Maintenance for 2006/07 given in the settlement letter [South Yorkshire £12.678m, Rotherham £1.607m] and causes particular concern.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

Many of these have been alluded to earlier. We have discretion to 'teem and ladle' to suit our own plans and priorities. However, it is important that we spend and deliver on transport schemes and projects that enable us to meet the objectives and

targets set in the LTP. This includes progress on the two 'major' schemes in Rotherham; the A57 and A631 Improvements. Failure to deliver will inevitably lead to financial penalties in the form of claw back and/or reduced allocations.

Bearing in mind the reduced maintenance allocation and the supplementary award, Rotherham's funding for 2005/06 has significantly decreased. This is bound to have an effect on performance towards targets.

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

Transport and the LTP/APR 'score' are crucial to our CPA assessment. As a means to various ends, accessibility and high quality transport systems and infrastructure are vital if we are to achieve the aims of the Community Strategies and the Corporate Plan. Reduced funding will affect our transport related BVPIs.

11. Background Papers and Consultation

South Yorkshire Local Transport Plan 2001-2006 South Yorkshire Local Transport Plan APR 2003/2004 Letter to Chief Executive from Margaret Jackson GOYH - dated 2 December 2004 - 2005/2006 Local Transport Capital Expenditure Settlement

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APPENDIX A

CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS FOR MAJOR SCHEMES IN 2005/2006

New Major Schemes (bid in July 2004 APR)

SCHEME	AWARD FOR 2005/2006	SUMMARY DfT COMMENT
Yorkshire Bus Initiative	Nil	Does not warrant priority for approval. Should be considered in LTP2. Appraisal case needs more work.

Existing Major Schemes

SCHEME	AWARD FOR 2005/2006	SUMMARY DfT COMMENT
SYPTE/WYPTE: Yorcard	-	PTEs advised separately.
Barnsley: Coalfields Link Road Phases 2 and 3	£0.205m	Final allocation (not funding latest cost increase). Provided as £0.103m Transport Supplementary Grant (TSG) & £0.102m as SCE(R).
Barnsley: Cudworth and West Green Bypass	-	Requests for funding to be considered in 05/06 when scheme comes back for full approval.
Doncaster: A19 North Bridge Project	Nil	Consider sufficient cash to be in hand to meet scheme's immediate requirement.
Doncaster: Denaby Main	-	Further allocations on an exceptional basis and subject to Ministerial approval.
Doncaster/SYPTE: A638 Great North Road QBC	-	Awaiting full approval before considering requests for funding in 05/06.
Rotherham: A631 West Bawtry Road Improvement	-	Provisionally approved. Funding requests will be considered when scheme comes back for full approval.
Rotherham: A57 M1 - Todwick Crossroads Improvement	-	Provisionally approved. Funding requests will be considered when scheme comes back for full approval.
Sheffield Northern Inner Relief Road	£26.9m	Fully approved in July 2004. £2.0m as TSG & £24.9m as SCE (R). Contribution to date = £49.778m. Will provide up to a maximum of £55.989m.

SCHEME	AWARD FOR 2005/2006	SUMMARY DfT COMMENT
Sheffield: Sheaf Square	£2.18m	Fully approved in February 2004. £1.090m as TSG, £1.090 as SCE(R). This is the final allocation bringing contribution up to a maximum of £6.43m.
Barnsley Interchange	-	No guarantees of meeting cost increases. Will consider requests for funding in 05/06 when scheme is back for full approval.
SYPTE: Supertram Extension	-	More work on modelling requested with evidence of how scheme integrates with bus and demand management strategies.

ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL - REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	Delegated Powers Meeting	
2.	Date:	7 February 2005	
3.	Title:	Economic and Development Service matters	
4.	Programme Area:	Economic and Development Service	

5. Summary

To approve the proposed amendments to the Development Control Scheme of Delegation.

6. Recommendations

- That the Cabinet member note the report and endorse the revised Scheme of Delegation.
- That the matter be referred to Planning Board for their views.
- That the review scheme be presented to Cabinet, for formal approval, being a change to Council policies.

7. Proposals and Details

The Scheme of Delegation was amended in October 2003 to increase the level of delegation to the Head of Planning and Transportation Service in line with the Government target of 90% delegation. The percentage of applications dealt with under the new Scheme has indeed increased and has been a contributing factor to the significant improvement in the performance figures which resulted in all 3 of the Best Value Performance Indicators relating to processing planning applications being met, over the period 1st October 2003 to 31st September 2004.

The revised Scheme has been operating for over a year now and a number of anomalies have arisen. Attached at Appendix 1 is a revised Scheme of Delegation with recommended alterations shown in bold. The breakdown of the proposed amendments is as follows:

Section 2 of the Scheme relates to 'Applications for residential development'. Clarification is required for proposals relating to outline applications for residential development. At present there is no provision for an outline application for residential development to be delegated. As such, an application for up to 5 dwellings on land allocated for residential purposes could be delegated but an outline application on the same site could not. It is recommended that a minimum site area is set for outline applications of 0.2 hectares, under which the application could be delegated (if the land is allocated for residential purposes). For clarification, land allocated for residential development should also include Mixed Use allocations that include C3 residential in the 'mix'.

Whilst there is provision for the erection of 5 'dwellings', there is no provision for the erection of flats, which are becoming increasingly more popular with developers. It is recommended that where the number of flats is 5 or less, they could be determined under delegated powers. As where other development is proposed, where any objections are received the application would be referred to the Chair and Vice Chair who could request that any particular application should be referred to the Planning Board.

Finally under this Section, the approval of reserved matters in respect of dwellinghouses is included. It is recommended that this be extended to include reserved matters in respect of flat developments.

Section 3 of the Scheme of Delegation relates to 'Applications for commercial development'. It is recommended that this is clarified to include reference to leisure and community uses for extensions and alterations of existing premises, such as community centres and doctor's surgeries etc. In addition, there is currently no floor area limit on proposals for commercial or industrial development proposed on land allocated for such purposes. It is recommended that a limit is placed of 2,000 sqm, such that more significant development over this limit is considered by Members.

In addition, as with residential development there is no provision for outline applications for commercial development. It is considered that a minimum site area is set for outline applications of 2 hectares, under which the application could be

delegated (if the land is allocated for the use proposed). As with the residential developments above, land allocated for the use proposed should also include Mixed Use allocations that include the appropriate use in the 'mix'.

Finally, the installation of security shutters is not specifically included, though the Scheme allows for the refusal of such developments under Section 7.

New Section 4 is related to applications that are submitted by the Council. At present, ALL such applications have to be referred to Planning Board, including small extensions to classrooms at schools etc. It is recommended that applications falling within Sections 1, 2 and 3 of the Scheme (as amended) are dealt with under delegated powers. This will prevent minor proposals and those which raise no Policy issues having to be considered by the Planning Board.

Section 7 (proposed Section 8) of the Scheme of Delegation relates to the refusal of applications. An anomaly has arisen when refusing applications for residential development of up to five dwellings within an area allocated for residential development in the UDP. The revised Scheme allows the Head of Planning Service to <u>grant</u> permission for such developments but not to refuse them. There are no provisions for the application to be refused in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Planning Board. With growing pressures to build residential development in existing residential locations we are receiving an increasing number of applications for backland and infill development, some of which are inappropriate.

This situation has resulted in delays when determining such applications as the proposal, (which is correctly identified as a 'Delegated' application when submitted), if recommended for refusal has to be referred to Board and has to be re-advertised to allow neighbours/the applicant the Right to Speak at Planning Board. As such, applications have ultimately been determined outside the 8 week target period. It is, therefore, recommended that the Scheme of Delegation be amended to allow applications falling within Section 2 to be refused.

The anomaly referred to above is equally applicable to developments within Section 1 and 3 and it is considered that the refusal of all applications falling within these Sections (as amended) should also be determined under Delegated powers.

Section 8 (proposed Section 9) relates to proposals determined in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of Planning Board, including the serving of a planning enforcement notice and pursuance of prosecutions. It is recommended that the service of a Stop Notice is also included. Whilst these are very rare, there is clearly a need for urgency whenever they are required and delegating the decision to the Head of Planning in consultation with the Chair and Vice would address this. In addition, prosecutions in respect of Breach of Condition Notices and of unauthorised works to protected trees should also be included in the Scheme.

Finally, Section 8 allows for applications to be considered by Chairman and Vice Chairman where there have been objections, though only under Sections 1 and 2 of the Scheme. It is recommended that this is extended to include Section 3 (as amended) and the new Section 4 (relating to Council development) so as to allow appropriate development to be approved where there has been an objection. As

above, the Chair and Vice Chair can ultimately refer the application to the Planning Board if considered necessary.

Conclusion:

The Scheme of Delegation, as amended over a year ago, has significantly contributed to the improved performance figures that have been achieved over this period. Certain anomalies have arisen as a result of working with the revised Scheme and further improvements/clarifications have also been identified. To address these issues and further improve performance it is recommended that the Scheme is further amended, which will allow Members to concentrate on the more significant and controversial proposals in the Borough.

8. Finance

N/A

9. Risks and Uncertainties

Without a revised Scheme of delegation, there is a risk that further improvements in the speed of decision will be forthcoming.

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

The amended Scheme of Delegation would improve the performance of the Development Control Service, as set out in the above report. The Service's performance contributes to the score in the Environment Mark, which effects the Council's CPA rating.

11. Background Papers and Consultation

Current Scheme of Delegation

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APPENDIX 1

Development Control

Scheme of delegation to the Head of Planning and Transportation Service

The Head of Planning and Transportation Service's delegated powers are exercised by the Development Control Manager, and the Assistant Development Control Managers in his absence.

The powers are limited to the following extent

Determination, except where;

Objections have been received

1. Applications for householder development

- 1. Alterations or extension to dwellinghouses
- 2. Erection of buildings within the curtilage of residential properties, to include garages etc.
- 3. Erection of a fence, wall, gate, or other means of enclosure
- 4. Formation of a vehicular access onto a classified road
- 5. A minor householder development not falling within the above criteria

2. Applications for residential development

- 6. Conversion of a building to a dwellinghouse
- 7. Conversion of a building to flats
- 8. The erection or conversion of a dwellinghouse on land for which planning permission has previously been granted
- 9. The approval of reserved matters in respect of dwellinghouses or of flats
- 10. Erection of up to five dwellings or five flats within an area allocated for residential development in the Unitary Development Plan (including Mixed Use allocations that include C3 residential in the 'mix')
- 11. Outline applications with a site area up to 0.2 hectares in area within an area allocated for residential development in the Unitary Development Plan (including Mixed Use allocations that include C3 residential in the 'mix')

3. Applications for commercial development

- **12.** A modification or construction of a new shop front, *including installation of security shutters*
- 13. A minor change of use
- 14. The display of an advertisement, including on Listed buildings
- 15. The alteration or extension of commercial, industrial, community, leisure or recreation premises within an area allocated for such use in the Unitary Development Plan (including Mixed Use allocations that includes the

- relevant use within the 'mix') or in an existing area or complex containing such uses.
- 16. The erection of new commercial, industrial, community leisure or recreation development under 2,000 square metres and reserved matters, on land either currently used for that purpose, or allocated as such within the Unitary Development Plan (including Mixed Use allocations that includes the relevant use within the 'mix').
- 17. Outline applications with a site area up to 2 hectares where the site is allocated
- 18. The approval of a reserved matter in a planning scheme for an Enterprise Zone Scheme.
- 19. The erection of overhead electricity lines up to 66KV, and installation of statutory undertakers equipment, which is not classed as permitted development.

4. Applications submitted by the Council

20. Applications submitted by the Council, either solely or in conjunction with a partnership body, falling within Sections 1, 2 and 3 of the Scheme.

5. Minerals and Waste

- 21. Except where reserved to the Planning Board, the approval or amendment of reserved matters, in an application for planning permission, relating to schemes of working, restoration and aftercare.
- 22. The approval of siting of plant, machinery, buildings, structures or erections, proposed by a minerals undertaker under Part 19 of Class B of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995.
- 23. The approval of siting of plant, machinery, buildings, structures or erections, proposed by the Coal Authority or a licensed operator on an authorised site under Part 20 of Class C of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995.

6. Planning Enforcement

- 24. Where there is a breach of planning control, the determination as to whether it is expedient to take action.
- 25. Power to seek a warrant for entry in the magistrates court (Section 196B of the Town and Country Planning Act)
- 26. Power to serve a requisition for information (Section 330 of the Town and Country Planning Act)
- 27. Power to serve a planning contravention notice (Section 171C of the Town and Country Planning Act)
- 28. Power to serve a breach of condition notice (Section 187A of the Town and Country Planning Act)
- 29. Power to serve a notice requiring proper maintenance of land (Section 215 of the Town and Country Planning Act)

7. Miscellaneous

- 30. The determination of the need for an Environmental Impact Assessment and screening and scoping, in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England and Wales) Regulations 1999.
- 31. The determination of applications for Conservation Area Consent, relating to development falling within the scheme of delegation.
- 32. The determination of applications for Listed Building Consent for grade 2 listed buildings for development falling within the scheme of delegation.
- 33. The carrying out of statutory publicity.
- 34. Variation of conditions on previous approvals not determined by the Planning Board
- 35. The agreeing of amendments to approved plans.
- 33 The determination of whether an application constitutes a departure from the Development Plan.
- 34 Power to issue certificates of lawfulness of existing and proposed use/operations in respect of Sections 191 and 192 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- 35 The undertaking of negotiations to conclude an agreement under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990
- 36 The making of Tree Preservation Orders
- 37 The determination of applications to prune and fell trees covered by Tree Preservation Orders, subject to no objection by the Council's arboroculturalist
- 38 The confirmation of Tree Preservation Orders where no objections have been received.
- 39 The determination of applications for works to, and the removal of historic hedgerows
- 40 The determination of prior approvals for agricultural development, telecommunications apparatus and demolition.
- 41 Power to decline to determine applications for planning permission, under Section 70A of the Town and Country Planning Act.
- 42 Power to grant planning permission for development already carried out, falling within classes one and 2 of the Scheme of delegation, and not falling within Schedule 1 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations

8. The Refusal of the following types of application

- 43 All proposals falling within Sections 1,2 and 3 of the Scheme.
- 44 An application where the plans are inadequate, or supporting information is insufficient, and this is the primary reason for refusal.

9. In consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair

- 45 The service of a planning enforcement or Stop notice
- 46 The pursuance of a prosecution in respect of:
- Failure to return a requisition for information/planning contravention notice
- Failure to comply with an enforcement notice
- Failure to comply with a Breach of Condition Notice
- The unauthorised display of signage
- Unauthorised works to listed buildings
- Unauthorised works to a protected tree

- 47 The authorisation of default works under Section 178 of the Town and Country Planning Act.
- 48 The approval of an application under classes 1, 2, **3 and 4** the Scheme of delegation where objections have been received.
- 49 Responses to consultations from other Local Planning Authorities on planning applications covered under this scheme of delegation
- 50 To agree amendments of a minor nature to completed s106 agreements.

Agenda Item 11

By virtue of paragraph(s) 5, 8 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Agenda Item 12

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