

Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee: Holding the Executive to Account

Scrutiny Monitoring – 10th April 2014: Excluding recommendations on the confidential item

Date	Portfolio	Title	Action proposed	Action Taken	Progress Status			
13/03/14	Housing & Sustainability	Housing Allocations Policy	1) That, to improve clarity, the Cabinet Member gives consideration to refining the term 'Part of the Family' in paragraph 13 of the Cabinet report.	The allocations policy document will be written as clearly as possible using plain language to provide clarity for public use. This will cover eligibility for, and the assessment of, housing need including definitions of households and family. Mechanisms to test understanding with customers will be utilised.				
			2) That the Cabinet Member explores options regarding the setting of an income cap within the housing allocations policy.	Income details of new applicants will be incorporated in new application processes to provide evidence on which to build further policy. The cabinet member will review the issue in due course once adequate data has been gathered.				
13/03/14	Communities	Families Matter	1) That performance information is broken down by criteria and circulated to the OSMC.	The performance information is broken down in to ASB/Crime/Education and Progress to Work and Continuous Employment. The former cannot broken down further as the PBR criteria dictates that the 3 cannot be claimed for separately. Please see table below:				
				Payment-by-Results/ No. Families Turned Around				
				Year 2	Crime/ASB / Education	Continuous Employment	Progress To Work	Total Turned Around
				Q1	36	2	7	45
				Q2	274	9	8	291

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			2) That the Cabinet Member considers prioritising the worklessness criteria for the Families Matter programme in 2014/15.	We can confirm the prioritisation of the Employment agenda within Families Matter in 2014/15 with a more targeted approach and improved utilisation of the DWP secondees.	
			3) That the Families Matter programme is discussed at a future meeting of the Committee when the VFM evaluation has been completed.	Programmed in	