

REPORT TO: Environment and Urban Renewal Policy and Performance Board

DATE: 15th June 2011

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director – Policy and Resources

TITLE: Annual Report Environment and Urban Renewal Policy and Performance Board 2010-2011

WARDS: All

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To provide the Environment and Urban Renewal Policy and Performance Board with an annual review of the 2010-2011 series of meetings and issues scrutinised. To inform Members of an agreed Topic Working Group and invite Members to consider other topic areas they may wish to see scrutinised, hence forming a draft work programme for 2011-2012.

2.0 RECOMMENDED: That:

(1) The Annual Report attached is accepted and that the work of any agreed Topic Working Groups is supported in 2011-2012.

3.0 BACKGROUND/SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 The Environment and Urban Renewal Policy and Performance Board's primary function is to focus on the work of the Council (and its partners) in seeking to bring about the Environmental and Urban Renewal of the Borough. It is also charged with scrutinising progress against the Corporate Plan in relation to the Environment and Urban Renewal Priority.

3.2 During the 2010/11 Municipal Year, the Board met on five occasions and considered a number of reports on a diverse range of subjects pertinent to Halton's Environment and Urban Renewal. A summary of these reports together with a message from the Chair of the Board is attached to this report for information.

3.3 During the year, the PPB received regular updates on progress towards meeting Halton's Sustainable Community Strategy targets at 2010-2011 financial year end. It also received updates on progress of the new Sustainable Community Strategy (2011-2026) which became "live" from April 2011.

- 3.4 The Board also agreed nominations of Members to sit on the Council's Public Transport Advisory Panel and to sit on the Consultation Review Panel for the 2010/2011 Municipal year.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 In 2011/12 Members of the Board will scrutinise the new Household Waste Collection Policy and follow the work of the Waste Management Topic Group as the policy is implemented. The Board is invited to consider other policy areas for scrutiny.
- 4.2 It will also continue to scrutinise progress against the corporate plan in relation to the Environment and Urban Renewal Priority.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

5.1 Children and Young People in Halton

N/A

5.2 Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton

N/A

5.3 A Healthy Halton

N/A

5.4 A Safer Halton

N/A

5.5 Halton's Urban Renewal

The PPB scrutinises the work of the Environment and Urban Renewal Specialist Strategic Partnership (UR SSP). This role will develop and become increasingly important with the merger (from 1st April 2011) of the UR SSP and the Environmental Sub-Group to form the Environment and Regeneration Specialist Strategic Partnership.

6.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

- 6.1 There are no background papers under the meaning of the Act.