ITEM/ISSUE	DOI	COMMENTS/ DECISION	ACTION	Does it need Council approval/ Endorsement?	Are any other boards affected?	CONTACT
1. A) SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY 2008-2021, LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT PRIORITIES 2008-2011 Members were presented with the emerging draft Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS), and Local Area Agreement 2008-2011 priorities following the first phase of consultation, which was carried out during July 2007. Each consultation session involved focussing on the key themes and ambitions proposed for the long term SCS for comments and discussion around "were they the right ones" and which of the ambitions we should focus on first, which will form the priorities for the SCS first 3 year delivery plan (the LAA). All comments from the engagement process have been formally logged and have been used to inform the SCS. In the second phase of the consultation, the comment summaries received from phase 1 will also be fed back to the thematic and area partnerships in September 2007 along with the draft Strategy. The comments received and a text summary has been forwarded to the relevant thematic areas for input to ensure that these comments can be incorporated into the various thematic plans and strategies.		Noted.	No	No	No	Dawn Welsh, Neighbourhood Renewal & LSP Manager (01642) 526011

The consultation sessions also covered which of the ambitions we should focus on, which will form the priorities for the SCS first three-year delivery plan (the LAA). Emerging priorities to date include greater provision and access to local services, improved local transport networks, financial inclusion and improved Town Centres. The final draft of the SCS will be taken to Renaissance for approval in October 2007, with a published strategy due for early 2008.					
1. B) TOGETHER WE ENGAGE EVENT FEEDBACK Members were provided with an overview of the event held on the 20 th July 2007, between members of the Area Partnership Boards, Community Empowerment Network and BME Network. In total 53 people attended the event, including Young People, which was very encouraging. The event gave participants the opportunity to discuss and debate the key themes in the SCS.	Noted	No	No	No	Julie Derbyshire, Chief Executive SRCGA Ltd (01642) 733900
The event was extremely successful and at a recent regional CEN conference, this Stockton event was highlighted as best practice. It was received with admiration from other CEN's and Government Office for the North East. Since the event, SRCGA have received numerous calls and emails regarding how Stockton's CEN has managed to build such a strong relationship					

with Stockton Renaissance. It was fed back that the reason for this strong relationship, is mainly down to making this sector feel welcome and comfortable. On behalf of SRCGA and the people who attended the event, Julie Derbyshire expressed thanks to Stockton Renaissance and the Neighbourhood Renewal and LSP Team for their support in enabling the event to take place.					
It was noted that during the second phase of consultation, a further CEN event will take place on					
Wednesday 19 th September 2007. 2. TEES VALLEY METRO					Jonathan
Members were provided with an update on the progress					Spruce, Tees
to date on the Tees Valley Metro initiative. Members	Noted	No	No	No	Valley Joint
were informed that for a considerable time, there have	Noted	INO	INO	INO	Strategy Unit
been proposals to develop a rapid transit (metro) system					Strategy Offic
within the Tees Valley to support future regeneration					
aspirations, and this project was included within the					
recent City Region Business Case as a key future year					
investment project. Tees Valley Regeneration (TVR) has					
been developing the Metro proposal since November					
2004. DfT and Network Rail are currently looking at an					
arrangement whereby systems can "share" track with					
existing heavy rail passenger and freight services. This					
increases the opportunity for a viable Metro system as					
there are potential savings in adopting a track sharing					

strategy. In response to this, proposals have been developed by TVR for a high quality, fast and reliable City Region rail-based solution to assist regeneration and help to avoid the transport problems that would otherwise arise as economic activity gathers pace.					
The Tees Valley Metro will:					
Deliver a step change in sub-regional public					
transport across the Tees Valley, providing a high frequency, high quality service, and a 21 st Century metropolitan public transport system					
Bring strong benefits, including support for					
economic regeneration that will deliver a					
significant uplift in GVA of up to £400 million and;					
Help the Tees Valley realise its potential as it					
opens up development potential along the corridor					
and in particular in proximity to its stations, with					
the potential for Local Authorities to lever Section					
106 contributions from private sector developers.					
The capital cost estimate for the core section route has					
been estimated at £141.9million (2005 prices). In parallel	Noted	No	No	No	
a significant amount of work has been undertaken to					
develop the Tees Valley Bus Network Improvements					
Scheme, which aims to provide a 'step change' in the					
provision of bus services across the Tees Valley. It is					
important that these proposals are complementary to					
provide a wholly integrated network.					

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Significant local benefits would accrue to each of the Tees Valley local authorities. The potential benefits to Stockton, both with the proposals being considered at present and as part of any future network extensions would be: • Fast and frequent connections to the ECML at Darlington, TransPennine Express at Thornaby, Grand Central at Eaglescliffe and Durham Tees Valley Airport; • Direct support for SMI; • Support for development opportunities at Eaglescliffe, Preston Farm, Thornaby and Teesside Retail Park, including possible new stations; and • Looking beyond the core scheme, Metro offers the potential for future street-running extensions to Stockton town centre and Ingleby Barwick.			
Discussions are being held with the DfT and Network Rail to explore innovative funding mechanisms. However, the DfT requires a 'local' contribution to each major local transport scheme of at least 10% of the gross capital cost in order for the project to be considered by the DfT and the Regional Funding Allocation process. Therefore, an 'in principle' funding commitment from each of the Tees Valley Local Authorities to provide a local contribution covering a collective total 10%, or			

around £14 million, of the capital cost is required. A draft timescale for implementing the improvements has been developed. In order to avoid cost penalties the timetable is linked to the period of the current Northern Rail franchise, which ends in 2013. Therefore, any contributions from the Local Authorities (and other sources) are likely to be required between 2011 and 2013, and a confirmation on the exact contribution from each Authority will not be required until 2009/10. It was recommended that Stockton Renaissance support the above proposal.	Noted. Renaissance supported the proposal for the Tees Valley Metro	No	No	No	
3. PATHWAYS TO HEALTHCARE It was explained to members that the thirteen year review of hospital services in the Tees Valley culminated in a reconfiguration panel and resulted in ten recommendations. These recommendations included: • Building a new hospital on a site which was easy accessible to people • Citing of specialist services • Need for transport links • Need to move on after thirteen years of indecision	Noted	No	No	No	Carole Langrick North Tees and Hartlepool Primary Care Trust.

The Pathways to Healthcare is a lengthy programme as it			
aims to ensure that appropriate engagement has been			
carried out with various groups. There was emphasis			
placed on new primary and secondary services with the			
hospital as the main focus.			
The aim of the programme is to ensure that services are			
safe, of best quality and are constantly improving. It is			
also recognised that is important to keep up with existing			
evidence and research.			
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It was commented that this is the first whole health			
system, which is designed with the White Paper in mind.			
It will make services available closer to where people			
live, with the hospital as a last resort for services.			
The Pathways to Healthcare Road Map is a seven year			
process, with five phases:			
Phase One: Project Launch (April 2007-June			
2007)			
Phase Two: Service Development and Design			
(July 2007-December 2008)			
Phase Three: Public Consultation (January 2009 –			
April 2009)			
Phase Four: Capital Planning, Development and			
Procurement (Spring 2008 – Summer 2011)			
Phase Five: Building and Commissioning the new			
hospital and associated facilities (Spring 2011-			

2014)		
 The progress to date on the programme includes: Programme launch underway Partners, stakeholders, public and staff engagement Formal processes Planning for service redesign Planned care Unscheduled care Women & children's services Long term conditions Diagnostics Step Up / Step Down 		
 The Vision for the Pathways to Healthcare is: What do you want the health care system north of Tees to be like in 10/20 years time? What will be its most important feature? How will primary, community, social care and acute services work together? How do you want to be involved in this work? Members were informed that this is in line with Stockton Borough Council's vision for example in social care, to		
deliver better services in the community. It was noted that running alongside the Pathways to		

Healthcare will be the day-to-day work taking place to improve services, therefore things are constantly improving. (If members have any further comments on the vision, please contact Carole Langrick)					
4. CORPORATE ASSESSMENT SELF ASSESSMENT Members were informed that the Corporate Assessment Self Assessment focuses around the Audit Commission asking how the Local Authority is working together with communities, how it is setting ambitions and priorities to meet the needs of local people and how the local authority has worked with the community over the past few years. The Self Assessment is detailed information, which targets key lines of enquiry. There are a number of Ambitions/Key Messages, which includes: Clear and challenging 3 part vision – economic renaissance; enhanced quality of place; well-being and achievement Strong partnership working – effective LSP (highlighted by LSP Peer Review), area boards, thematic partnerships Ambition based on strong understanding of local needs – data, consultation and engagement (Council has actually asked people what they want	Noted	No	No	No	Helen Dean Assistant Chief Executive (Acting) (01642) 527003

for change in the future. This has been done, for example, through resident surveys and SCS engagement)			
 Having set the ambitions, it is also important to set priorities: Priorities set through extensive consultation and engagement Priorities owned by stakeholders – partners, members (cross party), staff and public. 			
Capacity issues also have to be identified in conjunction with partners being able to deliver effectively. Key messages emerging from Capacity include: • High quality community leadership • All party commitment to delivering community strategy and council plan • Strong decision making • Investment in people • Excellent partnership working to extend capacity • Strong approach to procurement and commissioning including VCS			
The approach to this is performance management focused.			
There are also a number of key achievements emerging which include an outstanding record of success as			

Stockton is bucking the national trend on resident satisfaction, has achieved great educational results at Key Stage 2 and 4 and has the lowest ever crime. Crime has significantly improved over the last ten years and Stockton has the lowest level of crime in the Tees Valley. Alongside this is a wealth of evidence of achievements, which will feed into the Corporate Assessment. The next steps for the Corporate Assessment Self Assessment are as follows: Continue to draft the Self Assessment and collection of evidence Self Assessment to Cabinet on 27th September 2007 Submission to Audit Commission with supporting evidence week commencing 15th October 2007					
5. THEMATIC PARTNERSHIP BOARD UPDATE – ENVIRONMENT PARTNERSHIP The Chair of the Environment Partnership, which is part of the thematic partnerships of the Stockton Renaissance family, provided members with an update on the Environment Partnership. The membership of the Environment Partnership is made up from Government agencies, voluntary sector, local resident groups, area boards and the private sector. The remit for the Environment Partnership is broad, from Global (e.g.	Noted	No	No	No	Jeremy Garside Chair of the Environment Partnership (01287) 636382

climate change) to local (e.g. management of a green			
climate change) to local (e.g. management of a green			
space). Recent work conducted by the Environment			
Partnership includes:			
Local Development Framework – Minerals and			
Waste Options			
 Proposals for Billingham Anhydrite Mines 			
 Tees Valley Green Infrastructure Strategy – 			
includes a way of linking, for example, transport			
corridors to form a local resource.			
 Sustainable Community Strategy Consultation 			
Sustainable Transport			
Review of biodiversity in Stockton			
Role of Groundwork in Stockton			
Consultation on the Government Climate Change			
Bill and production of the Stockton Climate			
Change Action Plan.			
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Members were informed that Environment is a cross-			
cutting themes, which can be highlighted in the examples			
below:			
 Eco-schools – environmental standard for schools, 			
raising attainment			
Wild Youth – Positive behaviour, citizenship and			
accredited qualifications through environmental			
activities			
Inclusive Volunteering – benefits of nature conservation for people with severe montal health			
conservation for people with severe mental health			
problems.			

The Chair of the Environment Partnership also serves on the Tees Valley Environment Partnership, which is led by the Environment Agency and includes membership from Natural England and Government Office North East. This Partnership carries out a range of support and opportunities where ideas cross boundaries in the sub region.					
Note: It was raised by the Chair that rather than rotate the venue for the Stockton Renaissance, that where available, the Castlegate Quay Watersports Centre would be used for all future meetings.	Noted	No	No	No	Sarah Upex LSP Coordinator (01642) 526498

Attendance: Cllr K Lupton (Chair), Chris Willis (Vice Chair), Cllr M Rigg, Olive Milner, Val Goodrum, Paul Thomas, Diane Patterson, Cllr Mrs A McCoy, Stephen Bray, Alex Bain, Jim Beall, Geoff Harrison, Ann Baxter, Jeremy Garside, Dave Brunskill, Graeme Oram, Cllr Laing

Advisors: Helen Dean, Dawn Welsh, Julie Derbyshire (SRCGA), Sarah Upex, Simon Lee, Jan Doherty, Rev David Whiting, Steve Davidson (JCP), Elizabeth Shassere (PCT), Fiona Chesters (TVRCC), Mike Robinson, Jonathan Spruce (JSU), Kellie Hopkins, Sue Cash (PCT), Carole Langrick (PCT), Linda Stephenson, Nigel Hart, Richard McGukin, Cllr Cunningham

Apologies: Tony Campbell, Mike Picknett, Cllr Cook, Tina Williams, George Garlick