Housing and Community Safety Select Committee

Update to Executive Scrutiny Committee – 27 January 2009

Review of Neighbourhood Policing/Neighbourhood Watch/Outward facing aspects of CCTV

Update on Progress (including issues/problems/successes)

At a meeting on 18 December, the Committee investigated the issue of Neighbourhood Watch, and received evidence from Ron Baker (District Liaison Officer, Cleveland Police), Anne Howard (Chair of Stockton District Neighbourhood Watch), Inspector Andy Fox (Cleveland Police) and Dave Kitching (Trading Standards).

At the meeting of 29 January, the Committee will be considering the role of the Council's CCTV network.

Consultation is taking place with residents (via MORI, and potentially focus groups), area partnerships, Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinators, resident groups, and all Members.

Timescale for review

The review is scheduled to report to Cabinet in April 2009.

Monitoring

At the meeting on 18 December, the Action Plan in relation to the implementation of recommendations from the RSLs review was considered and agreed. At the same meeting, Progress Updates on the review of Choice Based Lettings, and review of ASB, were also received.