## AGENDA ITEM

REPORT TO EXECUTIVE SCRUTINY

## 8 MAY 2012

# REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF LAW & DEMOCRACY

## GATED COMMUNITIES – REFERRAL FROM COUNCIL

#### SUMMARY

Following a review of Gated Communities being included on the 2012/13 work programme, appointments are now required for a Task and Finish group to carry out the review.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Executive Scrutiny Committee is asked to appoint Members to a Task and Finish group to review gated communities.

## DETAIL

1. At their meeting held on 9 March 2011, Council agreed the following motion regarding the issue of Gated Communities:

"This Council acknowledges the trend towards increased numbers of gated communities within the Stockton Borough Council Area necessitating entry codes to access and leave.

Council recognises the practical difficulties this creates for delivery of mail and other communications. Council therefore requests that the issue be considered by the Executive Scrutiny Committee or a Task Finish Group."

2. Executive Scrutiny Committee agreed to include a Task and Finish Review of Gated Communities in the work programme for 2012/13 at their meeting held on 20 December. Members are now asked to appoint Members to a Task and Finish Group to undertake the review, which will commence in summer 2012.

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