

## **Corporate and Social Inclusion Select Committee**

### **Update to Executive Scrutiny Committee – 22 October 2013**

#### **Update on Progress (including issues/problems/successes)**

##### **Scrutiny Review of NEPO**

Due to a delay in the completion and publication of the report of the independent review of NEPO the Chair agreed to resume the review when the report was available.

The NEPO report has been circulated to the Committee but will not be considered until after NEPOs annual general meeting which takes place on 22 October.

##### **Review of Street Café Furniture and A-Board Advertising**

A draft scope and project plan was agreed by the Committee on 15 October following a tripartite meeting on 11 October.

The main issues and overall aim of this review:

- The difficulties negotiating items of café furniture, A-Boards and shop goods on the highways for everyone but especially visually impaired people, mobility aid users, and those with pushchairs.
- To assess Stockton Council draft guidance that will regulate the use of private street furniture and shop goods

The Committee will undertake the following key lines of enquiry:

- Impact on businesses of introducing policies for using A-Boards, street café furniture and/or where shops position items for sale on the highways
- Impact of A-Boards, street café furniture and/or shop goods on the highways for visually impaired people, mobility aid users, and those with pushchairs

Presentation of the final report with recommendations for approval to Cabinet will be on 17 July 2014

##### **Monitoring Update**

The Committee will consider the following updates at its next meeting on 26 November:

- Commissioned Carers
- Energy Supply INITIAL