

	Overview and Scrutiny Committee 9th August 2011	Agenda Item No.
Title	Sports Partnerships	
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Wards of the District directly affected	None	
Is the report private and confidential and not for publication by virtue of a paragraph of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006?	No	
Date and meeting when issue was last considered and relevant minute number	N/A	
Background Papers	Executive Report 17 th March 2010 Executive Report 23 rd June 2010	

Contrary to the policy framework:	No
Contrary to the budgetary framework:	No
Key Decision?	No
Included within the Forward Plan? (If yes include reference number)	No
Equality & Sustainability Impact Assessment Undertaken	No (If No state why below)
N/A.	

Officer/Councillor Approval		
Officer Approval	Date	Name
Chief Executive/Deputy Chief Executive & Monitoring Officer	14 th July 2011	Author
Head of Service		
Portfolio Holder(s)		Councillor Mrs Gallagher
Consultation & Community Engagement		
N/A		
Final Decision?	Yes	
Suggested next steps (if not final decision please set out below)		

1. **SUMMARY**

- 1.1 This report highlights the Council's formal sports partnership arrangements. It encourages Members to discuss and assess the success or otherwise of the respective partnerships over the preceding twelve months.

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 Members consider the sports partnership arrangements into which the Council has formally entered making any appropriate recommendations to officers.

3. **REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 At its meeting of 23rd June 2010 Executive agreed that scrutiny of the Council's partnerships should be undertaken by the Council's Scrutiny Committees and that the Deputy Chief Executive, in consultation with the Scrutiny Chairs, should determine the practical arrangements for how this should happen.
- 3.2 Overview and Scrutiny has previously completed an investigation into the Council's Town Centre Partnership arrangements and at its meeting of 12th July 2011, the Committee agreed to consider the Council's sports partnership arrangements.
- 3.3 The process for reviewing the partnerships starts with lead officers completing an Annual Health Check template (Appendix 1) describing the outcomes for the respective partnerships over the last twelve months. This template builds-on the Partnership Checklist (Appendix 2) which is already in place for all of the Council's partnerships.
- 3.4 Members will now wish to consider if they wish to investigate the respective arrangements in further depth by way of face-to-face interviews with officers or visits to partners. The choice lies entirely with the Committee and it may consider that a different approach should be exercised.

4. **ALTERNATIVE OPTION CONSIDERED**

- 4.1 No alternative options were considered as Executive had requested that scrutiny of the Council's partnerships is undertaken by the Scrutiny Committees.

5. **BUDGETARY FRAMEWORK**

- 5.1 There are no budgetary implications as a consequence of this report.

6. **POLICY FRAMEWORK**

- 6.1 Executive agreed the Council's Partnership Policy at its meetings of 17th March 2010. The Policy ensures that there is a robust business case for entering into a partnership and provides for ongoing scrutiny of the arrangements through the Council's Scrutiny Committees.
- 6.2 The Council has put Systems Thinking at the heart of its approach to service design. Members are being encouraged to use Systems Thinking principles when undertaking their roles on the Scrutiny Committees.