

NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 1 PARTNERSHIPS, REGENERATION, COMMUNITY SAFETY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT-

25TH JANUARY 2010

BRIEFING NOTE:

COMMUNITY CENTRES TASK AND FINISH GROUP - PROGRESS REPORT

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Since the last meeting of Overview and Scrutiny Committee 1, the Overview and Scrutiny Community Centres Appreciative Inquiry has become a Task and Finish Group. At the first meeting of the Task and Finish Group, Councillors agreed the scope of the Review; a copy is attached at Appendix A, for the Committee's approval.

2 UPDATE

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- 2.1 The Task and Finish Group has embarked upon its evidence gathering process, receiving facts from the Portfolio Holder for Communities. The Task and Finish Group also undertook a tour of the Community Centres within the borough, received background data and the findings of desktop research. At its next meeting, scheduled for late February 2010, the Task and Finish Group will hear evidence from expert witnesses.
- 2.2 It is envisaged that the Task and Finish Group will conclude its Review by April 2010.

3 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 That Overview and Scrutiny Committee 1 (Partnerships, Regeneration, Community Safety and Engagement) be asked to approve the scope of the Community Centres Task and Finish Group, as attached at Appendix A.

Tracy Tiff, Overview and Scrutiny Officer, on behalf of Councillor Portia Wilson, Chair, Community Centres Cost of Consultants Task and Finish Group

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