

# Meeting: Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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**Title:** Community Engagement – response to recommendations and monitoring

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**Wards affected:** All

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## 1. Purpose of Report

To inform Overview and Scrutiny Committee of the response agreed by Cabinet to the recommendations made as part of the community engagement review and to suggest a timescale for Members to monitor progress in implementing the accepted recommendations.

## 2. Recommendations

The Committee is recommended to note Cabinet's response to the recommendations submitted as part of the community engagement review and agree a timescale for monitoring the progress of implementation.

## 3. Detail

- 3.1 At its meeting on 7 October 2013 Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered the findings of the Community Engagement sub-group, which had been established to contribute to the development of a new community engagement strategy that would replace area forums with a more ward-based approach to engagement. The Committee agreed to submit the report and its associated recommendations to Cabinet for consideration.
- 3.2 At its meeting in December 2013, Cabinet received a report which set out a response to each of the recommendations, indicating whether they had been accepted or rejected. This response is attached as Appendix 1 for the Committee's information.
- 3.3 The Committee will need to decide how best to monitor the implementation of the accepted recommendations. It is suggested that, following two rounds of the community conversations events that have been arranged, the Committee review the arrangements in place and identify whether the accepted recommendations have been completed or progressed.

## 4. Appendices (if any)

Appendix 1 – Cabinet response to Overview and Scrutiny Community Engagement report