REPORT OF SAFER AND STRONGER OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

ENFORCEMENT PERFORMANCE

LEAD MEMBER: Cllr W Metherell, Chair, Safer and Stronger Overview and

Scrutiny Committee

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RECOMMENDATION: That the Executive's attention be drawn to the level of

current long term sickness within the unit which could result

in the ability of the enforcement unit to meet its targets

within the financial business model.

1. BACKGROUND

The Safer and Stronger Overview and Scrutiny Committee at its last meeting on 15 August 2007 considered the notes from the first meeting of the Enforcement Performance Sub Group. The notes of this meeting are at Appendix "A".

The Safer and Stronger Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee were reminded that it had agreed that an enforcement performance sub group should be established to monitor on a month by month basis the performance of the enforcement unit against its targets.

2. CONCLUSION

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed to the recommendations of the Sub Group. The Executive is asked to consider recommendation (B) from the sub group.

The Committee noted that in June 2007 there was 27% sickness within the unit which resulted in 46% of the available staffing hours being lost to the unit. The Committee agreed with the Sub Group's recommendation that this should be drawn to the attention of the Executive as this could result in the ability of the enforcement unit to meet its targets within the financial business model.

The Committee also considered and agreed that in light of the enforcement work done by the council that there should be greater emphasis given to educating potential offenders before enforcement was undertaken.

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Appendix "A" – Notes From the Enforcement Performance Sub Group of 18TH July 2007

List of Background Documents

None