

<b>DECISION-MAKER:</b>	CABINET		
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	RESPONSE TO THE SCRUTINY INQUIRY ON THE NIGHT TIME ECONOMY		
<b>DATE OF DECISION:</b>	6 SEPTEMBER 2010		
<b>REPORT OF:</b>	LEADER OF THE COUNCIL		
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**STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY**

None

**SUMMARY**

A report on Southampton's Night Time Economy (NTE) by the Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Panel was presented to Cabinet in June 2010. This report sets out Cabinet's response to the 10 recommendations made.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- (i) To approve the response to the 10 recommendations set out in Appendix 1.
- (ii) That the role of coordinating actions and liaising with various partnerships to implement proposed actions to be delegated to the Head of City Development and Economy.

**REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. There is a need for increased focus and development of the significant role that the NTE plays in the growth and vibrancy of the city centre and enhancement of the local economy.
2. Economic Development has a key role in coordinating actions to ensure that the enhancement of the local economy is maximised.

**CONSULTATION**

3. Internal consultation has taken place with Legal and Democratic Services, Financial Services, Head of Organisational Development and Property and Procurement Services.
4. In addition consultation has taken place with Corporate Policy, Planning and Sustainability, Parks and Open Spaces, Safer Communities, Leisure Services, Communications, and Highways and Parking.
5. Consultation has taken place with the Chairs of the Southampton Thematic Partnerships which are the Economy and Enterprise Board, Safe City Partnership, Tackling Alcohol Partnership, Children and Young Peoples Trust, Health and Wellbeing Partnership, City Branding Group, SHAPe, Later Years Partnership. In addition consultation has been carried out with Streets Ahead Southampton.

## **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED**

6. Do nothing – does not meet the aspiration of the City Council to enhance the role of the Night Time Economy in the growth and vibrancy of the City Centre and enhancement of the local economy.

## **DETAIL**

7. A report of the Chair of the Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Panel on the Night Time Economy Inquiry was considered at the 7 June 2010 Cabinet. Cabinet needs to formally response to these recommendations to meet the requirements in the Council's Constitution.
8. The response by the Leader of the Council to the recommendations by the Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Panel and comment on action to be taken is set out in Appendix 1 attached to this report.

## **FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

### **Capital**

9. Whilst several of the recommendations can be integrated into existing programmes of work and budget streams there are others which will require varying levels of investment in order to be successful. The Council in conjunction with the Southampton Partnership will need to consider whether existing resources can be redirected in order to support the implementation of responses to the recommendations of the Scrutiny Panel.

### **Property**

10. None.

### **Other**

11. None.

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

### **Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:**

12. The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Section 21 of the Local Government Act 2000 and the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007. This report is presented in accordance with section 7.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules which required the Executive to submit its response to the inquiry recommendations.

### **Other Legal Implications:**

13. None.

## **POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS**

14. The responses contained within the appended report are in accordance with the Council's Framework.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

**Non-confidential appendices are in the Members' Rooms and can be accessed on-line**

**Appendices**

1.	Response to the Recommendations of the Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Panel on the Night Time Economy (NTE)
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**Documents In Members' Rooms**

**Background Documents**

Title of Background Paper(s)

Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)

1.	Night Time Economy – final report of the Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Panel	
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**Background documents available for inspection at:** Marland House

**KEY DECISION?** No

<b>WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:</b>	All
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