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08/05 Social Inclusion and the Physical Environment – Implementation Progress Report

The Council Cabinet considered a report from the Community Regeneration Commission on progress made in implementing the recommendations of the Commission following a topic review on Social Inclusion and the Physical Environment. The Commission conducted the review in the spring of 2003 and the recommendations were accepted by Council Cabinet.

The Commission recommended that the Council Cabinet ensures that swifter progress be made both generally on implementing these recommendations within the direct control of the Council, and specifically in connection with enhancing land stewardship to improve the visual appeal of buildings and land.

The Council Cabinet considered a response from the Director of Development and Cultural Services which confirmed that the Action Plan would continue to be monitored to make sure that all those actions which can be taken forward are done so as speedily as possible. He also advised that the Asset Management Group we taking steps to make sure those responsible for the upkeep of buildings were aware of the importance of taking care of land and buildings. It was reported that the specific issues raised by Councillor Blanksby at the Commission meeting were being progressed by the Director of Education.

Decisions

To note the report.