## OVERVIEW OF ECONOMY AND ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

- 1. Since the last meeting of the Council, the following are the main areas of work the Economy and Environment Scrutiny Committee has undertaken:-
  - (a) Work Programme 2011/12 We have given consideration to the Work Programme for this Committee for the Municipal Year 2011/12 and possible review topics and in doing so, we have taken into account the reduced resources available within the Authority and ensured that, in recommending our work programme to Monitoring and Co-ordination Group, that any work we undertake will have demonstrable outcomes and contribute to the work of the Council and its strategic aims and objectives. We have also taken into consideration possible Review Groups and one of the areas for Review we will be seeking approval from Monitoring and Co-ordination Group will be the 20's Plenty Campaign.
  - (b) Arts Enquiry Group We received an update on Creative Darlington, An Arts Vision for Darlington, which had been produced by the Arts Enquiry Group and which was considered by the Darlington Partnership. We put forward some suggestions as part of that consultation and look forward to progress. Members of Darlington for Culture attended Scrutiny Committee and presented their vision for Arts in Darlington.
- 2. Since the last meeting of Council, I have attended the following meetings:
  - (a) Various briefing meetings with Officers.
  - (b) All Members briefing on the Arts Enquiry Group held on 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2011.

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