EXETER CITY COUNCIL

SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - ECONOMY 20 JANUARY 2011

ENERGY PARTNERSHIP WITH E.ON PROGRESS REPORT

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report is to update Members on the work of the partnership with E.ON.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At the November meeting Members requested that they be kept informed of the work of the energy partnership with E.ON. Executive agreed to enter into the partnership on the 23rd November and this was reported to the Exeter and East Devon New Growth Point Steering Board on the 9th December 2010, when it was resolved that the Board would provide a governance structure for the work of the partnership. At the same meeting Devon County Council have been informed of the decision by the City Council and East Devon District Council to enter into the partnership and is invited to engage in taking forward the work programme.
- 2.2 The first meeting of the Project Review Group involving officers and E.ON is set for the 25th January 2011.
- 2.3 Officers are currently working with E.ON on a potential bid to be made for the Regional Growth Fund. The deadline for bids to the RGF is the 21st January and this will necessarily prioritise officers' work in the New Year.

3.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

(i) That Scrutiny Committee notes that progress on the work programme with E.ON will commence in the New Year.

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