

Meeting: Council Date: 23 July 2015

Subject: Annual Report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for 2014-15

Report Of: Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Wards Affected: All

Key Decision: No Budget/Policy Framework: No

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Appendices: 1. Overview & Scrutiny Committee Annual Report 2014-15

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report introduces the Annual Report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for 2014-15 which sets out the work and achievements of the Committee during the year.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 Council is asked to **RESOLVE** that the Annual Report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for 2014-15 be noted.

3.0 Background and Key Issues

- 3.1 Article 6 of the Council's Constitution requires that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall 'provide and co-ordinate the input into an annual report to Full Council on such issues and topics as the Committee sees fit' (Article 6.08.h).
- 3.2 The Annual Report sets out the areas focused on by the Committee in 2014-15 and Task and Finish Group activity.

4.0 Alternative Options Considered

4.1 Not Applicable.

5.0 Reasons for Recommendations

5.1 The Council has adopted the Leader and Cabinet model for its executive arrangements under the Local Government Act 2000. These arrangements must provide for the appointment of one or more overview and scrutiny committees and the Constitution provides that an annual report on the Committees activities be presented to Council.

6.0 Future Work and Conclusions

6.1 The Annual Report highlights the rolling work programme for the Committee in 2015-16. The Lead Members on Overview and Scrutiny will determine additional items for the work programme and the Committee will select task and finish group topics in due course.

7.0 Financial Implications

7.1 There are no financial implications arising out of this report.

(Financial Services have been consulted in the preparation this report.)

8.0 Legal Implications

8.1 The Council's Constitution requires that the work of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee is reported to Council on an annual basis. This report fulfils that requirement.

(One Legal have been consulted in the preparation this report.)

9.0 Risk and Opportunity Management Implications

9.1 Not applicable.

10.0 People Impact Assessment (PIA):

10.1 The PIA Screening Stage was completed and did not identify any potential or actual negative impact, therefore a full PIA was not required.

11.0 Other Corporate Implications

Community Safety

11.1 There are no community safety implications arising out of this report.

Sustainability

11.2 There are no sustainability implications arising out of this report.

Staffing and Trade Union

11.3 There are no staffing or trade union implications arising out of this report.

Background Documents: None