
Subject: ANNUAL REPORT OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

Meeting and Date: Annual Council – 14 MAY 2014

Report of: David Randall, Director of Governance

Decision Type: Non-Key

Classification: Unrestricted

Purpose of the report: Under the Council's Constitution an Annual Report of Overview and Scrutiny is required to be presented to the Annual Meeting of the Council.

Recommendation: That Members note the report.

1. Summary

This report summarises the achievements of the Council's two Overview and Scrutiny Committees for the period 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014.

2. Introduction and Background

3. Article 6 of the Constitution requires that an annual report be presented to Council on the workings of Overview and Scrutiny Committees, their future work programmes and any proposed amendments to working methods. Accordingly, the attached report provides the following information:

- (a) Statement by the Monitoring Officer.
- (b) Performance Review Statistics.
- (c) Future Work Programmes.
- (d) Amendments to Current Practices.

4. Identification of Options

4.1 To note the report.

4.2 To not note the report.

5. Evaluation of Options

5.1 The annual report on the activity of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees is for note. A sound governance arrangement, including an effective scrutiny process, underpins the achievement of all the Council's corporate objectives.

6. Resource Implications

6.1 None from this report

7. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Annual Report of Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 2013/14

8. **Background Papers**

8.1 Agenda items of the Governance Committee – 2013/14

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