

Place Scrutiny Committee – 6th July, 2016

Report of the Lead for Law and Governance

Terms of Reference for the Place Scrutiny Committee

Purpose of Report

1. To note the terms of reference for the Place Scrutiny Committee.

Background

2. At the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board on 8th June, 2016, a report was considered on the terms of reference of the Board and the Council's overview and scrutiny Committees.
3. The Council's scrutiny arrangements are set out in Part 2, Article 6 of the Constitution (Overview and Scrutiny). The associated Scrutiny Procedure Rules are contained within Part 4 of the Constitution which also contains the terms of reference for the Scrutiny Committee. These terms of reference are attached as an Appendix for information.

Finance

4. The costs of operating the revised scrutiny structure will be contained within existing budgetary allocations.

Law

5. Scrutiny Committees are established in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 and the requirements of the Council's Constitution, which was adopted under the Local Government Act 2000, subsequent legislation and associated Regulations and Guidance.

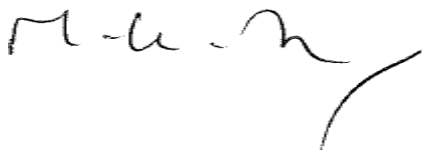
The Council's scrutiny arrangements are set out in Part 2, Article 6 of the Constitution (Overview and Scrutiny) and the associated Scrutiny Procedure Rules are contained within Part 4.

Equality Impact

6. Provision exists within the recommended scrutiny arrangements for overview and scrutiny to be undertaken of the Council's policies on equality and diversity.

Recommendations

7. That the terms of reference for the Scrutiny Committee, as set out in the attached Appendix, be noted.



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List of Background Papers

The Council's Constitution

TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE PLACE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Membership

11 Councillors.

Terms of Reference

In accordance with any relevant statutory requirements and the Annual Scrutiny Programme approved by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board:-

- (a) To undertake in-depth scrutiny investigations, inquiries and reviews in accordance with the Annual Scrutiny Programme;
- (b) To contribute to policy development by carrying out the scrutiny of matters falling within the functions of the Directorate of Place and the portfolios of the Cabinet Members for Planning and Economic Development, Environmental Services and Housing.

To submit reports and recommendations to the Cabinet and/or the Council on the outcomes of scrutiny investigations, inquiries and reviews.

To make recommendations to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board on any proposed amendments to the Annual Scrutiny Programme.