County Council

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Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2020/21



Report of Corporate Management Team

Paul Darby, Corporate Director of Resources (Interim)

Electoral division(s) affected:

None

Purpose of the Report

To present the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2020/21 as required by the Council's Constitution. The report is attached at Appendix 2.

Executive summary

In accordance with Article 5 paragraph 5.03 (d) of the Council's Constitution, the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Management Board is required to report annually to the County Council on its work with recommendations for its future work programme.

Recommendation(s)

That County Council receive the annual report for 2020/21, in accordance with the Council's Constitution to report annually on overview and scrutiny activity.

Background

- Each year the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report is prepared to provide information on activity by the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Management Board and the five thematic Overview and Scrutiny Committees. This work programme activity includes in-depth and light touch review work, and overview activity including monitoring of performance management and budgetary reporting.
- This year, due to COVID-19, scrutiny work was paused until remote meetings were introduced in June 2020. The number of remote scrutiny meetings then available and the need for shorter agendas resulted in a

- more prioritised and focused scrutiny function and this is reflected in a pared down report than in previous years.
- The Annual Report also includes detail on the statutory scrutiny roles relating to health and crime and disorder.
- 7 The Annual Report has been agreed by the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Management Board prior to submission to County Council.
- 8 It is intended to circulate the report widely.

Background papers

None

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Appendix 1: Implications

Legal Implications

The Council's Constitution requires the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Management Board to report annually on the work of all the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

Finance

None

Consultation

Members of the Council's Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Management Board considered and commented on the report prior to it being presented to County Council.

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty

Impact assessments are carried out for all overview and scrutiny reviews.

Climate Change

None

Human Rights

None

Crime and Disorder

None

Staffing

None

Accommodation

None

Risk

None

Procurement

None

Appendix 2: Annual report 2020/21 (attached as a separate item)