Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Management Board

3 December 2021

Overview and Scrutiny Six Monthly update to Council



Report of Corporate Management Team

Paul Darby, Corporate Director of Resources

Electoral division(s) affected:

Countywide

Purpose of the Report

To provide members of the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Management Board (COSMB) with the six monthly update report which is to be submitted to Council on 26 January 2022.

Executive summary

The update report highlights some of the work scrutiny has undertaken in the six month period to November 2021 and complements the annual report which is submitted to Council in July each year.

Recommendation(s)

- 3 Members are asked to:
 - (a) Note the Overview and Scrutiny six monthly report to be submitted to Council on 26 January 2022.

Background

- 4 Statutory guidance on overview and scrutiny arrangements in local authorities was published in 2019. The guidance stated, amongst other matters, that authorities should take steps to ensure full Council is informed of the work scrutiny is doing.
- As a result, the County Council reviewed its constitution at the meeting on 24 March 2021 which included a new provision for a six-monthly report on overview and scrutiny activity to be submitted to Council.
- This is the first six monthly report to be submitted to Council as the review of the constitution due in May 2020 was deferred due to restrictions on public meetings in place at that time as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 7 The report highlights some of the work scrutiny has undertaken in the six month period to November 2021 and complements the annual report which is normally submitted to Council in July each year.

Background papers

None

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Appendix 1: Implications

Legal Implications

None specific with the report.

Finance

None specific with the report

Consultation

None specific with the report.

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty

None specific with the report.

Climate Change

None specific with the report

Human Rights

None specific with the report

Crime and Disorder

None specific with the report.

Staffing

None specific with the report

Accommodation

None specific within this report.

Risk

None specific within this report.

Procurement

None specific within this report.

Appendix 2: Overview and Scrutiny – Six Monthly Update Report to Council 26 January 2022

Attached as a separate document.