

Subject: Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2010 – 2011**Date of Meeting: 21 July 2011****Report of: Strategic Director: Resources****Contact Officer: Name: Tom Hook Tel: 29-1110**

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Wards Affected: All**FOR GENERAL RELEASE****1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:**

- 1.1 Overview and Scrutiny is required to report annually to Council on its work. Appendix 1 of this report details the work undertaken by scrutiny committees, panels and workshops over the last year, and monitors the impact of previous scrutiny work.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That Members note the Scrutiny Annual Report.

3. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- 3.1 The attached report summarises the work of each Overview and Scrutiny Committee along with the work of scrutiny panels. The report seeks to show how previous scrutiny recommendations have been implemented. Appendix 1 also outlines the call-in requests considered and development areas for 2011/2012.

4. CONSULTATION

- 4.1 Consultation has taken place with OSC Members.

5. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:Financial Implications:

- 5.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from the report.

Finance Officer Consulted: Anne Silley

Date: 15 July 2011

Legal Implications:

- 5.2 The constitution requires that the work of overview and scrutiny is reported to council on an annual basis. This report fulfils this requirement.

Lawyer Consulted: Oliver Dixon

Date: 15 July 2011

Equalities Implications:

- 5.3 Equality issues form an important part of the work of a number of ad hoc panels; additionally the OSC has a remit to look at equality issues and receives six monthly updates.

Sustainability Implications:

- 5.4 Sustainability falls within the remit of the OSC; a number of scrutiny interventions have focused on issues of sustainability. These are outlined in appendix 1.

Crime & Disorder Implications:

- 5.5 ECSOSC is the Council's designated Crime and Disorder Committee. Liaison between the Community Safety Forum (CSF) and ECSOSC ensures that there is no duplication of effort and good communication. The Chairman of ECSOSC sits on the CSF.

Risk and Opportunity Management Implications:

- 5.6 O&S is developing links with partners to take advantage of the opportunities afforded by legislative changes.

Corporate / Citywide Implications:

- 5.7 Scrutiny has a remit to look any issue that affects the quality of life of residents; this extends beyond just Council run services.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

- 1) O&S Annual Report 2010/2011

Documents in Members' Rooms:

None

Background Documents:

None