

MEETING	The COUNCIL
DATE	20 OCTOBER 2011
TITLE	OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2010-11
PURPOSE	To submit the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report
RECOMMENDATION	To accept the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report
AUTHOR	HEAD OF STRATEGIC AND IMPROVEMENT
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1. Purpose

The Council's Constitution notes, in Article 6 the requirement "*for the Scrutiny Committees to report annually to the Council on their workings, and to make recommendations for future work programmes and amended working methods if appropriate.*"

The purpose of this report is to submit the annual report to the Council.

2. The Contents of the Report

In addition to reporting upon the work of the Committees during the last year, we have utilised the Annual Report as an appraisal of the work of the Scrutiny element, by the inclusion of a clause noting the what has changed as a result of the Committee's work during the year.

It is hoped that this will underline the need to ensure that any items which are submitted to Scrutiny Committees should be expressly for the purpose of promoting change and improvements in the services for which they are responsible for scrutinising.

3. Recommendation

The Council is asked to accept the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report.