



CYNGOR GWYNEDD



Report to a meeting of Cyngor Gwynedd

Date of meeting:	6 July 2023
Title of Item:	Scrutiny Annual Report 2022-23
Member:	Councillor Beth Lawton, Chair of the Scrutiny Forum
Contact Officer:	Ian Jones, Head of Democratic Services (Head of Corporate Support Department)

THE DECISION SOUGHT

To accept the report.

BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE

1. In accordance with the constitution, a report is submitted to a meeting of the Full Council elaborating on the scrutiny work carried out during the year.
2. The report, which provides an overview of the scrutiny work undertaken during 2022-23, is shared under these headings:
 - Scrutiny Committees
 - Annual Workshops
 - Scrutiny Forum
 - Scrutiny Items
 - Pre-decision Scrutiny
 - Scrutiny Investigation
 - Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015
 - Performance Challenge
 - Facts about Scrutiny in Gwynedd in 2022/23
3. With an increasing emphasis placed on assessing the impact of scrutiny work, focus was placed on scrutiny items that added value through the scrutiny work. A list of all items scrutinised at formal meetings during the year has been included as an appendix to the annual report.
4. A concise version of the report has been produced with the intention to present 2022-23 scrutiny work in a succinct and easy to read format.

APPENDICES:

- Appendix 1 - Scrutiny Annual Report 2022-23
- Appendix 2 - Concise Version

ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO RECOMMENDING THE DECISION

The possible content of the Annual Report was discussed at the meeting of the Scrutiny Forum on 15 May 2023. The draft report was shared with the members of the Scrutiny Forum to receive their comments.

THE STATUTORY OFFICERS' OBSERVATIONS

Monitoring Officer:

Overview and scrutiny committees have a key role in the Council's governance arrangements. The report reflects the range of this work which the committees deliver and also keeping an overview of the Cabinet. I'm content that the information presented shows that this role is being addressed appropriately.

Statutory Finance Officer:

I believe that this report is a fair reflection of the wide and detailed scrutiny undertaken during 2022/23. In relation to finance issues, I can confirm that the Governance and Audit Committee has scrutinised financial matters as part of the budget establishment and expenditure monitoring procedures.

The report does not create additional expenditure commitment.