
Overview and Scrutiny Management Board – 1st February, 2021

Report of the Lead for Law and Governance (Monitoring Officer)

Feedback from Scrutiny Committees

Purpose

1. To consider feedback on the work being undertaken by Scrutiny Committees and to note the future structure of Scrutiny Committees.

Recommendation

2.
 - That verbal reports from the Chairs/Vice-Chairs, together with any updates to the Annual Scrutiny Programme, be noted.
 - That the scheduled meeting of the Board on 4th March, 2021 be cancelled.

Background

3. During the 2018/19 municipal year, it was agreed that a standing item should be included on the agenda for the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board to allow feedback from each Scrutiny Committee.
4. Since the last meeting of the Board, the following Scrutiny Committee meetings have been held:-
 - Children's Services Scrutiny Committee – 20th January, 2021
 - Corporate Scrutiny Committee – 21st January, 2021
 - Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee – 27th January, 2021
 - Place Scrutiny Committee – 28th January, 2021



5. The reports and minutes of the meetings are available on the [Council's website](#). The Chairs/Vice-Chairs are invited to give a verbal progress update on the work of each Scrutiny Committee.
6. At the last meeting of the Board, on 25th November, 2020, a report was agreed concerning the future designation of Scrutiny Committees for implementation in the 2021/22 municipal year.

The Board's recommendations, as set out below, will be submitted to the Cabinet and Council in February, 2021:

- (a) That the existing designation of Scrutiny Committees be retained for the remainder of this municipal year to complete the Annual Scrutiny Programme for 2020/21.
 - (b) That the following Scrutiny Committees be formally constituted by the Council for the 2021/22 municipal year:
 - Future Council Scrutiny Committee
 - Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee
 - Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee
 - Housing and Public Realm Scrutiny Committee
 - (c) That provision be made for programmed meetings of the Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-Chairs to be held during the next municipal year.
7. A meeting of the Board is scheduled for 4th March, 2021. However, there is no scheduled business and it is proposed that the meeting be cancelled.

Finance

8. The costs of operating the Council's scrutiny arrangements are contained within existing budgetary allocations.

Law

9. The Council's scrutiny arrangements are set out in Article 6 of the Constitution (Overview and Scrutiny) and the associated Scrutiny Procedure Rules are contained within Part 4 of the Constitution.

Equality Impact

10. Provision exists within the Council's scrutiny arrangements for overview and scrutiny to be undertaken of the Council's policies on equality and diversity.

Human Resources/Organisational Development

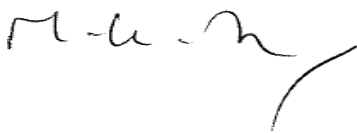
11. Overview and Scrutiny work is primarily administered within the resources available to the Democratic Services Team with support from Directorates and other Officers as required.

Commercial/Procurement

12. Individual items included in the Annual Scrutiny Programme may have commercial implications, which will be reported to the relevant Scrutiny Committee.

Health, Wellbeing and Safety

13. Reports to Scrutiny Committee will consider the impact on the health, wellbeing and safety of the Borough's citizens. This is consistent with building stronger, safer and more resilient communities in line with the Dudley Vision and to protect our residents' physical, and emotional health for the future.



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Background Documents

[The Council's Constitution](#)



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