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Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Services, Public Health, NHS)

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Subject: Chairs Update – January 2017

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	☐ Yes	⊠ No

1 Purpose of this report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an opportunity to formally outline some of the areas of work and activity of the Chair and other members of the Scrutiny Board since the last meeting.

2 Main issues

- 2.1 Invariably, scrutiny activity can often take place outside of the formal monthly Scrutiny Board meetings. Such activity may involve a variety of activities and can involve specific activity and actions of the Chair and/or other members of the Scrutiny Board.
- 2.2 In 2015/16, the Chair of the Scrutiny Board established a system whereby the Scrutiny Board was formally advised of scrutiny activity between the monthly meeting cycles. This method of reporting / updating the Scrutiny Board has continued during the current municipal year, 2016/17.
- 2.3 The purpose of this report is, therefore, to provide an opportunity to formally update the Scrutiny Board on any scrutiny activity and actions, including any specific outcomes, since the previous meeting. It also provides an opportunity for members of the Scrutiny Board to identify and agree any further scrutiny activity that may be necessary.
- 2.4 The Chair and Principal Scrutiny Adviser will provide a verbal update of recent activity at the meeting, as required.

Air Quality

- 2.5 At the previous Scrutiny Board meeting in December 2016, there was brief discussion around progress of the 'Air Quality' inquiry, being undertaken by Scrutiny Board (Environment and Housing), with co-opted members from other Scrutiny Boards, including Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Services, Public Health, NHS). It was agreed that a fuller update be provided at a future meeting. To assist, minutes from the Scrutiny Board (Environment and Housing) meeting held on 8 December 2016 are appended to this report. Minute 59 specifically refers to the matter of Air Quality.
- 2.6 There will be the opportunity for members to consider any specific issues, as necessary.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 Members are asked to:
 - a) Note the content of this report and the verbal update provided at the meeting.
 - b) Identify any specific matters that may require further scrutiny input/ activity.

4. Background papers¹

4.1 None used

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.