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# Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23

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Report of: Head of Democratic Services

Report to: Council

Will the decision be open for call in?  $\square$  Yes  $\boxtimes$  No

Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? ☐ Yes ☒ No

# **Brief summary**

Article 6 of the Council's Constitution requires the Head of Democratic Services, as the authority's designated Scrutiny Officer, to report to Council annually about how the authority has carried out its overview and scrutiny functions.

The appended Annual Report 2022/23 highlights the work undertaken by the Council's five Scrutiny Boards during the last municipal year.

### Recommendations

a) Council is asked to note the appended Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23.

#### What is this report about?

1 The appended Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23 provides an overview of the work undertaken by the Council's five Scrutiny Boards during the 2022/23 municipal year.

### What impact will this proposal have?

2 The Annual Report 2022/23 provides a factual summary of the work undertaken by the scrutiny function during the last municipal year, in line with the requirements of the <a href="Article 6">Article 6</a> of the <a href="Council's Constitution">Council's Constitution</a>.

#### How does this proposal impact the three pillars of the Best City Ambition?

3 The 2022/23 work programmes of the five Scrutiny Boards included items of business that reflect the priorities set out in the three pillars of the Best City Ambition. Highlights of each work programme are included in the appended Annual Report.

4 In 2022/23 all Boards also introduced a revised approach to performance monitoring to ensure the Scrutiny Boards consider key performance indicators (KPIs) that reflect the priorities set out in the Best City Ambition.

#### What consultation and engagement has taken place?

Wards affected:			
Have ward members been consulted?	□ Yes	□ No	

5 The Scrutiny Annual Report for 2022/23 has been produced in consultation with 2022/23 Scrutiny Board Chairs and the Executive Board Member for Resources.

#### What are the resource implications?

6 There are no specific resource implications associated with the Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23.

#### What are the key risks and how are they being managed?

7 Presenting the Scrutiny Annual Report for 2022/23 fulfils the annual requirement for the Council's Scrutiny Officer to report to Council on how the authority has carried out its overview and scrutiny functions, as set out in Article 6 of the Council's Constitution.

#### What are the legal implications?

8 There are no specific legal implications associated with the Scrutiny Annual Report for 2022/23.

## Options, timescales and measuring success

#### What other options were considered?

9 The submission of the Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23 to Council fulfils the requirements set out in Article 6 of the Council's Constitution.

#### How will success be measured?

10 Members of Council are asked to note the information set out in the Annual Report 2023/24.

### What is the timetable and who will be responsible for implementation?

11 The Annual Report 2022/23 provides a factual summary of the work of the overview and scrutiny function during the last municipal year. There are no implementation requirements.

#### **Appendices**

Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23

#### **Background papers**

None