



**Council**

**Thursday, 24 September 2020**

**Approval of the Scrutiny Annual Reports 2019/20**

## **Report of the Executive Manager – Finance and Corporate Services**

**Portfolio Holder for Strategic and Borough Wide Leadership  
Councillor S Robinson**

### **1. Purpose of report**

The Scrutiny Annual Report, contained at Appendix 1, provides a review of the work undertaken by the Council's four Scrutiny Groups during 2019/20.

### **2. Recommendation**

It is RECOMMENDED that Council endorse the work undertaken by the four Scrutiny Groups during 2019/20.

### **3. Reasons for Recommendation**

To enable Council oversight of the work and operation of its statutory Overview and Scrutiny function, the function's effectiveness and contribution to the work of the Council.

### **4. Supporting Information**

During the year, the following subjects have been scrutinised and monitored:

#### **Corporate Overview Group**

- Implementation of Change
- Feedback from Scrutiny Chairmen and Consideration of Scrutiny Work Programmes
- Finance and Performance Management
- Health and Safety Annual Report
- Corporate Strategy 2020 – 2023
- Customer Feedback Annual Report
- Diversity Annual Report
- Options for Public Engagement in Scrutiny

## **Governance Scrutiny Group**

- Internal Audit, including Progress Reports 2019/20, Annual Report 2019/20 and Strategy 2020 – 2023
- External Audit Strategy 2019/20
- Capital and Investment Strategy Outturn 2019/20
- Annual Governance Statement 2019/20
- External Auditors Report to Those Charged with Governance 2018/19
- Approval of the Statement of Accounts 2018/19;
- Annual Fraud Report for 2018/19
- Annual Audit Letter
- Risk Management Progress Reports
- Treasury Management Strategy and Updates
- Asset Management Plan

## **Communities Scrutiny Group**

- Community Partnership Review – Positive Futures and YouNG
- Carbon Management Plan Development and Review
- Public Spaces Protection Order Review
- Review of Community Facilities in West Bridgford
- Fly tipping
- Waste Strategy

## **Growth and Development Group**

- Abbey Road Depot Redevelopment
- Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)
- Business Support Offer
- Support and Promoting Economic Vibrancy in Town Centres
- Management of Open Spaces
- Approach to Assisting Economic Recovery in the Borough

### **5. Risks and Uncertainties**

None.

### **6. Implications**

#### **6.1. Financial Implications**

There are no financial implications.

#### **6.2. Legal Implications**

The Council is required by the Local Government Act 2000 to have scrutiny arrangements in place. This report demonstrates the Council's compliance with these requirements.

### 6.3. Equalities Implications

The role of the relevant scrutiny groups includes monitoring the Equality and Diversity impact of the Councils policies and strategies.

### 6.4. Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 Implications

There are no Section 17 implications.

## 7. Link to Corporate Priorities

Quality of Life	Effective scrutiny is an essential element of the delivery of the corporate strategy and corporate priorities.
Efficient Services	
Sustainable Growth	
The Environment	

## 8. Recommendations

It is RECOMMENDED that Council endorse the work undertaken by the four Scrutiny Groups during 2019/20.

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<b>Background papers available for Inspection:</b>	
<b>List of appendices:</b>	<b>Appendix 1 – Annual Scrutiny Reports 2019/20</b>