

COMMITTEE: REGENERATION AND CITIZENSHIP SCRUTINY

DATE: 17th APRIL 2008

SUBJECT: SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2007-08

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IMPLICATIONS:

LEGAL	✓	COMMUNITY SAFETY
EQUALITIES		ENVIRONMENT
FINANCIAL		CONSULTATIONS
STAFFING		OTHER

WARDS AFFECTED: NONE

PURPOSE

1. The purpose of this report is to submit the draft 2007-08 Annual Report of the Committee to the Scrutiny Board.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

2. The Committee is asked to consider the draft annual report and to approve it for submission to the Board.
3. The committee is asked to authorise the scrutiny officer to amend the draft report in consultation with the Chair to reflect the business of this meeting.

BACKGROUND

4. The Council's constitution requires each of the scrutiny committees, once a year, to approve and submit to the Board a report on the work they have undertaken. It also requires the Board, once a year, to approve and submit to the Council a report on the whole of the work of scrutiny. The reports of the five committees will be submitted to the Board at their meeting on 22nd April (the report of the Children and

Young People Committee will still be subject to approval by the committee at that stage). These, together with the report on the Board's own activity, will be compiled into a report to the Council which will be received at the meeting of the Council on 22nd July 2008.

REPORT

5. The production of the annual reports for the last two years was done electronically and hard copies were only produced for inclusion with the Council agenda. The report was typeset and graphics were applied to make it an attractive publication. This version was then posted on the Council's website and the publication was circulated by e-mail as a link to the document. It is intended to adopt the same approach for the 2007-08 annual report.
6. Subject to the approval of the Board at their meeting on 22nd April 2008, the reports of the five committees and the report on the Board's activity will be put together and submitted as the Board's report to the Council.
7. Attached as an appendix is the draft of the 2007-08 annual report, which has been prepared to reflect and record the work carried out by this scrutiny committee.

PROPOSAL/OPTION

8. The committee is asked to consider the attached draft report and to approve it as their report to the Scrutiny Board subject to authorising the scrutiny officer to amend the report, in consultation with the Chair, to include the business of this meeting.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

9. There are no legal implications to this report and this has been agreed with John Newman in Legal Services on 7th April 2008.

APPENDIX

10. Appendix A – Draft 2007-08 Annual Report of the committee.

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972, SECTION 100D**

11. Scrutiny Annual Reports for previous years.