Article 106 - Overview and Scrutiny Committee

106.01 MembershipTerms of Reference

The Council will appoint an Overview and Scrutiny Committee to discharge the Overview and Scrutiny functions conferred by Section 21 of the Local Government Act 2000 or Regulations under Section 32 of the Local Government Act 2000. The Terms of Reference of the Committee are as follows:

14 Members of the Council.

Delegation of functions

See Scheme of Delegation (Part 7).

Functions

The Committee will discharge the functions conferred by Section 21 of the Local Government Act 2000 or Regulations under Section 32 of the Local Government Act 2000.

In addition the committee will:

- (i) to assist the Council and the Cabinet in the development of its budget and policies by in-depth analysis of policy issues;
- (ii) to challenge the boundaries of existing policies and think creatively about possible new policies or solutions to problems;
- (iii) to conduct research, community and other consultation in the analysis of policy issues and and to consider possible options;
- (iv) to make a positive contribution to the improvement of services;
- (v) to liaise with other external organisations operating in the area, whether national, regional or local, to ensure that the interests of local people are enhanced by collaborative working;
- (vi) to-review and scrutinise the decisions made by and performance of the Cabinet or individual portfolio holders and by Council officers where decisions have been delegated, both in relation to individual decisions and over time:
- (vii) to-review and scrutinise the performance of the Cabinet in relation to the Council's policy objectives, performance targets and/or particular service areas:
- (viii) to make recommendations to the Cabinet and/or the Council arising from the outcome of the scrutiny process.

- (ix) to-undertake the Council's statutory requirements to scrutinise the Crime and Disorder partnership.
- to-consider any Councillor Call for Action (CCfA) submitted to it by the Service Director Performance and Innovation. Such consideration will be short and outcome focussed. If appropriate, the Committee will make recommendations to the Cabinet, in accordance with the procedures set out in the Council's CCfA Scheme (Part 5.10).

6.02 Proceedings of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee will conduct its proceedings in accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules set out in Part 4 of this Constitution.