

PART A

Report to: Council
Date of meeting: Tuesday 17 October 2017
Report of: Committee and Scrutiny Officer
Title: Annual Report of Overview and Scrutiny in Watford Borough Council 2016/17

1.0 **Summary**

- 1.1 The Constitution requires that a report is presented to Council annually on the work of scrutiny during the preceding year.
- 1.2 This report introduces the Annual Report of Overview and Scrutiny in Watford Borough Council for 2016/17, attached as Appendix 1 to this report.

2.0 **Risks**

- 2.1 None identified from the report.

3.0 **Recommendations**

- 3.1 that Council notes the Annual Report of Overview and Scrutiny for Watford Borough Council 2016/17.

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4.0 **Detailed proposal**

- 4.1 The Annual Scrutiny Report refers to the scrutiny work carried out during 2016/17; it
- describes the work and process of the council's scrutiny work over the preceding year;

- sets out facts regarding the structure and operation during 2016/17;
- provides an indication of performance as measured by the scrutiny surveys.

4.2 The main details are contained within the report, attached as Appendix 1.

5.0 **Implications**

5.1 **Financial**

5.1.1 The Shared Director of Finance comments that there are no financial implications.

5.2 **Legal Issues** (Monitoring Officer)

5.2.1 The Head of Democracy and Governance comments that there are no implications in this report

5.3 **Community Safety/Crime and Disorder**

5.3.1 The council has a statutory duty to scrutinise the local crime and disorder partnership. This is carried out by the Community Safety Partnership Task Group, which meets at least twice a year.

Appendix

Appendix 1 – Annual Report of Overview and Scrutiny, Watford Borough Council 2016/17

Background Papers

- Results of the 2016/17 scrutiny surveys
- Reports and minutes of scrutiny committees, panels and task groups

File Reference

None