

REPORT TO BUDGET AND CORPORATE SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT BOARD

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Subject:	Draft Annual Report 2018-19
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DECISION RECOMMENDATIONS

That Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board:

- 1. consider and comment upon the draft Annual Report;
- 2. approve that the Scrutiny Annual Report 2018-19 be recommended to Council.

1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To present the draft Scrutiny Annual Report 2018-19 for consideration and comment.

2 IMPLICATIONS FOR VISION 2030

2.1 Each of the Council's ten ambitions are aligned to scrutiny activity across all Boards and Work Groups. The focus of scrutiny work is to support and contribute to the Sandwell Vision 2030.

3 BACKGROUND AND MAIN CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1 Article 6 of the Council's Constitution sets out the framework for Scrutiny Boards, specifying their terms of reference, general role and specific functions. Article 6.03(d) of the Council's Constitution requires that Scrutiny reports annually to the Council on its work.
- 3.2 The attached annual report outlines work undertaken by Sandwell Council's scrutiny function in 2018-2019 and highlights a number of activities and outcomes that contributed to the Sandwell Vision 2030.
- 3.3 Scrutiny Boards delivered the work programme using a variety of methodologies outlined in the report. Evidence was provided by a range of witnesses from the Council and partner organisations, and there was engagement with service users and providers.

4 THE CURRENT POSITION

- 4.1 The draft report has been shared for consideration of the Board and to receive comments.
- 4.2 Once any required changes are made, the final report will be presented to Council in July 2019.

5 CONSULTATION (CUSTOMERS AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS)

5.1 The draft report has been circulated for comment.

6 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

6.1 The Constitution requires Scrutiny to report to Council annually.

7 STRATEGIC RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no strategic resource implication arising directly from this report. Scrutiny Boards are obliged to take into consideration the financial implications of the matters they consider.

8 LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS

8.1 Scrutiny Boards discharge the functions conferred by section 12 of the Local Government Act 2000 and the subsequent legislation.

8.2 The report has been produced in accordance with Article 6.03 (d) of the Council's Constitution, which states that the Scrutiny Function will report annually to the first meeting of the Council in the Municipal Year after the Annual Meeting.

9 **EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

9.1 There are no equality implications arising directly from this report.

10 DATA PROTECTION IMPACT ASSESSMENT

10.1 There are no data protection implications arising directly from this report.

11 CRIME AND DISORDER AND RISK ASSESSMENT

11.1 There are no crime and disorder implications arising directly from this report.

12 **SUSTAINABILITY OF PROPOSALS**

12.1 Scrutiny reports annually to Council.

13 HEALTH AND WELLBEING IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING SOCIAL VALUE)

13.1 There are no health and wellbeing implications arising directly from this report. Scrutiny reports and reviews consider added value when scoping topics and items to be considered.

14 IMPACT ON ANY COUNCIL MANAGED PROPERTY OR LAND

There is no impact on any Council managed property or land arising directly from this report.

15 CONCLUSIONS AND SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

15.1 The Scrutiny Management Board has been provided with the draft Scrutiny Annual report for further consideration. This provides an opportunity for the Scrutiny Management Board to consider, add comment or make suggestion for additions on the report before finalising the report to Council.

16 **APPENDICES**:

The draft Scrutiny Annual report 2018-19 is appended to this report.

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