

# Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board

**5 October 2023**

<b>Subject:</b>	Scrutiny Annual Report 2022 - 2023
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## 1. Recommendations







- 1.1 That the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board considers and comments upon the draft Scrutiny Annual Report 2022 – 2023, attached;
- 1.2 that subject to 1.1 above, the Board submits the report to Council on 24 October 2023.

## 2. Reasons for Recommendations

In accordance with Article 6.03 (d) of the Council's Constitution, the Board is required to report annually to the Council on its work and that of the four other scrutiny boards.



### 3. How does this deliver objectives of the Corporate Plan?

		The scrutiny function supports all of the objectives of the Corporate Plan by seeking to improve services for the people of Sandwell. It does this by influencing the policies and decisions made by the Council and other organisations involved in delivering public services.
		
		

### 4. Context and Key Issues

- 4.1 The attached annual report outlines work undertaken by the Council’s scrutiny function in 2022 - 2023 and highlights a number of activities and outcomes that contributed towards the objectives of the Corporate Plan.
- 4.2 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.

### 5. Implications

<b>Resources:</b>	Any resource implications arising from scrutiny activity are considered as required by the appropriate Board and by the relevant director or cabinet member/cabinet when considering recommendations arising from scrutiny activity.
<b>Legal and Governance:</b>	Scrutiny boards discharge the functions conferred by section 12 of the Local Government Act 2000 and the subsequent legislation.  The report has been produced in accordance with Article 6.03 (d) of the Council’s Constitution, which states that the Board will report annually to the Council



<b>Risk:</b>	Any implications arising from scrutiny activity are considered as required by the appropriate Board and by the relevant director or cabinet member/cabinet when considering recommendations arising from scrutiny activity.
<b>Equality:</b>	
<b>Health and Wellbeing:</b>	
<b>Social Value</b>	
<b>Climate Change:</b>	
<b>Corporate Parenting:</b>	

## 6. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Scrutiny Prioritisation Tool

Appendix 2 – Draft Scrutiny Annual Report 2022 - 2023

## 7. Background Papers

None

