

Part 3B

(Article 7)

SCRUTINY AND OVERVIEW COMMITTEES

1. Scrutiny and Overview Committee

Membership : 15 members of the Council (or such other number as the Council may determine to reflect political balance)

Functions:

- a) To assist in the strategic development of policy
- b) To review issues of local concern
- c) To review the policy of others within and outside the Council
- d) To call in Cabinet decisions
- e) To scrutinise the Council's decision-making processes
- f) To monitor the internal and external delivery of services
- g) To review specific services
- h) To monitor and scrutinise the activities of outside bodies

Areas of responsibility:

GENERAL

Asset management

Audit

Best Value and business improvement

Budget

Communication strategy

Corporate Plan (Visions Document)

Council's structure

Democratic representation

Equality and diversity including

- Older persons
- Social inclusion
- The disable
- Younger persons

Race relations



Finance

ICT

Overview of strategic partnerships:

- NHS
- County Council
- Education and lifelong learning
- Parish and Neighbourhood Councils
- Police
- Utilities
- Voluntary sector

Performance management

Staff

Support services

SPECIFIC SERVICES

Community safety

Development and other regulatory control

Economic Development

Environmental protection and waste

Health

Highways and transport

Housing

Leisure and cultural services

National, regional, strategic and local planning

Police, crime and disorder

Public health

Transport and parking

