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Terms of Reference of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees

Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

Working with the Local Strategic Partnership to implement our Sustainable Communities Strategy

Performance Management

Monitoring services for customer-friendly practice

Our Comprehensive Area Assessment (CAA)

Financial/human resources issues within the Council, including monitoring of the budgetary process.

IT & Communication issues including Transformational Government or Access to Services

Electoral issues

Public relations issues - review of communications strategy

Reviewing executive decisions

Setting, co-ordinating and reviewing overview and scrutiny work plans

Cross Cutting scrutiny

Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Children, Young People and Healthy Communities

Health of young people Sports, leisure and cultural activities for all young people Standards in English, mathematics, and science in secondary education School attendance Standards in foundation stage education Post-16 year old achievement Young people in Higher Education Improve access to accommodation for young people making the transition to adulthood Children potentially at risk of significant harm Reducing fear and improving safety Opportunities for young people to make a positive contribution Alcohol consumption Harm from Illegal drugs Mental health and wellbeing Health of people with a learning disability Premature mortality rates Smoking Obesity Vulnerable people living independently and safely at home

Falls prevention Income of Older People Access to leisure for people Affordable Warmth.

Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Economic Development and Enterprise

Support for disadvantaged groups to enter the workforce Create a culture of lifelong learning and improve skill levels and productivity High quality employment sites in suitable locations Access to the countryside Employment and economic activity Employment rate Skills levels Economic infrastructure Balanced housing markets Planning and housing intelligence Planning issues Affordable housing Housing Market Renewal

Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Safer and Stronger Communities

Anti-social behaviour (Including fires) and disorder Drug use/dealing Crime and fear of crime Domestic violence Street cleanliness Litter and detritus Recycling and waste minimisation Quality of parks and green spaces Local voluntary and community sector Voluntary sector involvement in public service provision Participatory local decision making Community cohesion Road Maintenance, structures and transport Sustainable Transport

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Decent homes Preservation and protection of the Environment Energy efficiency and climate change Flooding