

## **Part 3 – Terms of Reference of Overview and Scrutiny Committees**

### **1. Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

1.1 The Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee will consider and hold to account the Leader, the Cabinet Member for Finance, the Chief Executive and the Section 151 Officer for the delivery of the Council improvement and recovery plans and financial strategy.

1.2 This Committee will focus on:

- (a) Council budget, Medium Term Financial Plan, Capital Programme and Budget monitoring.
- (b) Scrutiny oversight of transformation plans, assets disposal and disinvestments.
- (c) Constructive challenge to Cabinet on organisational change and development of Council policy, Corporate Plan and improvement plans to add value, through early pre-decision scrutiny and shaping, including consideration of the community impact of corporate and financial plans.

2. Matters that are considered cross-cutting and which may affect more than one Overview and Scrutiny Committee will ordinarily, and by agreement of Committee Chairs (in consultation with the Monitoring Officer, as appropriate), be referred to the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee, to avoid duplication or the issue being overlooked.

### **3. People Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

8.1 The People Overview and Scrutiny Committee will consider and hold to account the relevant Cabinet Member(s) and Director(s) for the delivery of the Council's plans and financial strategy as they relate to children and adult social care, health, education and wellbeing.

8.2 This Committee will focus on:

- (a) Children's Social Care & wellbeing, including; safeguarding, children in care, early years, childcare, learning and school effectiveness, special educational needs, and disability (SEND), school admissions, organisation and place planning and transport.
- (b) Adult Social Care, including commissioning and delivery of social care services for adults and older people, support for carers, safeguarding vulnerable adults, public health.
- (c) Health, including review and scrutiny of matters relating to the planning, provision and operation of health services in the Borough through exercising the powers under Section 244 of the National Health Service Act 2006 as amended by the Health and Social Care Act 2012, Protocol for Health Overview.

### **4. Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

9.1 The Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee will consider and hold to account the relevant Cabinet Member(s) and Director(s) for the delivery of the Council's plans and financial strategy as they relate and impact on the Borough's amenities, infrastructure, local economy, development, and community-based services, such as libraries and leisure facilities.

9.2 This Committee will focus on:

- (a) Improvement in these areas to support the Council's recovery plans, including service transformation, financial and savings targets and asset management or disposal.
- (b) Oversight and scrutiny of policy as it relates to local services, development and community well-being, prioritising overall financial recovery in these areas.
- (c) Challenge, through constructive scrutiny, of Cabinet's proposals and plans and the impact and effectiveness of proposed improvements or changes on communities and individuals.