

# **Cherwell District Council**

## **Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

**15 March 2022**

### **Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual Report 2021/22**

#### **Report of Director – Law and Governance**

This report is public

#### **Purpose of report**

This report presents the draft Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report for 2021/22

#### **1.0 Recommendations**

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To consider and provide feedback on the draft Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual report for 2021/22
- 1.2 To delegate authority to the Director – Law and Governance, in consultation with the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, to finalise the areas highlighted in the report following the final meeting of the municipal year, prior to its submission to Council.

#### **2.0 Introduction**

- 2.1 The draft of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual report 2021/22 is submitted to the final meeting of the Municipal Year for consideration before its submission to Council.

#### **3.0 Report Details**

- 3.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee has a constitutional obligation to “report annually to Council on the function of their workings” (Constitution Part 2, Committee Terms of Reference, section 2.12 point C).

- 3.2 The draft of the report details work undertaken by the Committee as at the end of February 2022. Areas that require additional information following the conclusion of the March 2022 meeting have been highlighted yellow in square brackets.

## **4.0 Conclusion and Reasons for Recommendations**

- 4.1 The recommendations as set out are in the best interests of the Council and ensures the Overview and Scrutiny Committee fulfils its constitutional obligation.

## **5.0 Consultation**

None.

## **6.0 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection**

- 6.1 The following alternative options have been identified and rejected for the reasons as set out below.

Option 1: Not to agree the recommendations. This is rejected, as this would lead to the Committee not meeting its constitutional obligation.

## **7.0 Implications**

### **Financial and Resource Implications**

- 7.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

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### **Legal Implications**

- 7.2 There are no legal implications arising from this report. The annual report meets the constitutional obligation for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to report annually to full Council.

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### **Risk Implications**

- 7.3 There are no risk implications arising from this report.

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## **Equalities and Inclusion Implications**

7.4 There are no equalities and inclusion implications arising from this report.

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## **8.0 Decision Information**

**Key Decision** N/A as not an Executive report

**Financial Threshold Met:** N/A

**Community Impact Threshold Met:** N/A

### **Wards Affected**

N/A

### **Links to Corporate Plan and Policy Framework**

The Corporate Plan themes addressed by each scrutiny topic are detailed in the draft Overview and Scrutiny Annual report 2021/22.

### **Lead Councillor**

None

### **Document Information**

#### **Appendix number and title**

- Appendix 1 – Overview and Scrutiny Committee Annual Report 2021/22

### **Background papers**

None

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