

COUNCIL CABINET 20 December 2023

Report sponsor: Chair of the Executive Scrutiny Board Report author: Democratic Services Manager ITEM 7

Recommendations from the Executive Scrutiny Board

Purpose

1.1 The Executive Scrutiny Board met and discussed items contained within the Council Cabinet Agenda. This report enables the views and recommendations resulting from these discussions to be formally shared with Council Cabinet. These will be submitted to Council Cabinet as Appendix 1, prior to commencement of the meeting.

Recommendation(s)

- 2.1 To receive the report and consider recommendations from the Executive Scrutiny Board.
- 2.2 To respond to the recommendations received from the Executive Scrutiny Board.

Reason(s)

3.1 Part 2 of the Council's Constitution (Articles of Constitution) enable overview and scrutiny boards to scrutinise decisions made or actions taken in connection with the discharge of any council functions and make reports and recommendations to the Council and Council Cabinet.

Supporting information

4.1 A report on constitutional amendments was considered and agreed by Council on 20 May 2015. It was agreed that an Executive Scrutiny Board be retained, but that its purpose in relation to pre and post-scrutinising the work of Council Cabinet would be strengthened, with monthly meetings timed to immediately precede Council Cabinet meetings.

Public/stakeholder engagement

5.1 The Executive Scrutiny Board considered the Council Cabinet agenda in its entirety. Recommendations arising from this meeting have been collated and distributed to members as a separate appendix to this report.

Other options

6.1 None

Financial and value for money issues

7.1 There may be costs associated with delivering some of the recommendations associated with this report. These would need to be determined following agreement by Council Cabinet to implement the Board's recommendations.

Legal implications

- 8.1 Rules OS21 and OS23 of the Council's Constitution are relevant to this report in its final submissions to Council Cabinet.
 - Rule OS21 states that once the scrutiny board has formed recommendations on proposals for development, the board will prepare a formal report and submit it to the proper officer for consideration by the Council Cabinet (if the proposals are consistent with the existing budgetary and policy framework), or to the Council as appropriate (e.g. if the recommendation would require a departure from or a change to the agreed budget and policy framework).

Rule OS23 states that the Council or Council Cabinet shall consider the report of the overview and scrutiny board within one month of it being submitted to the proper officer.

8.2 There may be other legal implications arising from this report if Council Cabinet agrees to the implementation of the recommendations, but these would need to be determined at a later stage.

Climate Change Implications

9.1 None directly arising from this report.

Socio Economic Implications

10.1 None directly arising from this report.

Other significant implications

11.1 None directly arising from this report. These would need to be determined following agreement by Council Cabinet to implement the Board's recommendations.

This report has been approved by the following people:

Role	Name	Date of sign-off
Legal		
Finance		
Service Director(s)		
Report sponsor		
Other(s)	Alex Hough - Head of Democracy	13/11/2020