

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: **CORPORATE RESOURCES OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

DATE: **THURSDAY, 14 MAY 2015**

REPORT BY: **MEMBER ENGAGEMENT MANAGER**

SUBJECT: **TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE COMMITTEE**

1.00 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.01 To advise the committee of its terms of reference

2.00 BACKGROUND

2.01 At the 2014 Annual Meeting, it was agreed that a review of the Overview & Scrutiny should be carried out. Following a series of meetings and the setting up of a working group, the Constitution Committee at its meeting on 15th April approved a new structure and terms of reference for the Overview & Scrutiny committees.

2.01 The recommendations following the Overview & Scrutiny structure review were submitted to Council at the Annual meeting on 12th May 2015.

3.00 CONSIDERATIONS

3.01 The terms of reference are attached as appendix 1.

3.02 There are two major differences between the new terms of reference and the old. Scrutiny responsibility for Revenues and Benefits is now within the remit of the Community & Enterprise Overview & Scrutiny Committee Corporate Resources is now the designated 'crime and disorder' scrutiny committee. This function was previously with the former Community Profile & Partnerships Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

3.03 The Crime & Disorder Act 1998 and the Crime & Disorder (Overview & Scrutiny) Regulations 2009 require the Council to designate one of its Overview & scrutiny committees as its statutory crime & disorder scrutiny committee. That committee must meet at least once in a twelve months period to consider crime & disorder issues. This can be achieved by consideration of the Annual Community Safety Partnership Update.

4.00 RECOMMENDATIONS

4.01 That the committee receives the report and instructs the officers to make arrangements for the annual 'crime & disorder' meeting in due course.

5.00 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.01 None

6.00 ANTI POVERTY IMPACT

6.01 None

7.00 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

7.01 None

8.00 EQUALITIES IMPACT

8.01 None

9.00 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

9.01 None

10.00 CONSULTATION REQUIRED

10.01 None

11.00 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN

11.01 None

12.00 APPENDICES

12.01 Appendix 1: Terms of Reference of the Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT) 1985 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

1. Report to the Constitution Committee – Scoping the Review of the Overview & Scrutiny Structure – 15th October 2014 and resultant minute.
2. Report to the Constitution Committee – Overview & Scrutiny Committee Structure – 28th January 2015 and resultant minute.
3. Report to the Constitution Committee – Overview & Scrutiny Committee Structure – 15th April 2105 and resultant minute.

4. Report to the Annual meeting of Council – 12th May 2015.

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