



Haringey Council

Report for:	Overview & Scrutiny Committee July 31st 2014	Item Number:	
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Title:	Overview & Scrutiny Annual Report 2013/14
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Ward(s) affected: ALL	Report for Key/Non Key Decisions:
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1. Describe the issue under consideration

- 1.1 Overview & Scrutiny Committee is required to produce an annual report of its activities each municipal year. The attached Overview & Scrutiny Annual Report 2013/14 is submitted for approval.

2. Cabinet Member introduction

- 2.1 N/A

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 That the Committee note and agrees the draft Overview & Scrutiny Annual Report 2013/14.

4. Alternative options considered

- 4.1 N/A

5. Background information

- 5.1 Overview and Scrutiny Committee is required to produce an Annual Report on its activity each year.

- 5.2 The report details the work of the five scrutiny bodies in Haringey during 2012/13:

- Overview & scrutiny Committee
- Adults & Health Scrutiny Panel
- Children and Young Peoples Scrutiny Panel
- Communities Scrutiny Panel
- Environment & Health Scrutiny Panel.



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5.3 Once agreed by Overview & Scrutiny Committee, the report is to go to Full Council as agreed under the Constitution Part 2, Article 6, Parag 6.03 (e).

6. Comments of the Chief Finance Officer and financial implications

6.1 The CFO has been consulted on the report and has no specific comments to make.

7. Assistant Director of Corporate Governance and legal comments

7.1 Under the Council's Constitution, the Committee is required to report annually to Full Council on their working and make recommendations for future work programme and amended working methods if appropriate.

8. Equalities and Community Cohesion Comments

8.1 Overview and Scrutiny has a strong community engagement role and aims to regularly involve local stakeholders, including residents, in its work. It seeks to do this through:

- Helping to articulate the views of members of the local community and their representatives on issues of local concern;
- Bringing local concerns to the attention of decision makers and incorporating them into policies and strategies;
- Identifying and engaging with hard to reach groups;
- Helping to develop consensus by seeking to reconcile differing views and developing a shared view of the way forward;
- Presenting evidence generated by scrutiny involvement as a means of helping to identify the kind of services wanted by local people;
- Promoting openness and transparency; for example, all meetings are held in public and documents are publicly available.

9. Head of Procurement Comments

9.1 N/A

10. Policy Implications

10.1 There are no recommendations in this report and thus there are no direct policy implications arising from it.

11. Use of Appendices

11.1 None

12. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985