Audit, Crime and Disorder and Scrutiny Committee
19 November 2020

ANNUAL REPORT 2019/20

Head of Service:	Gillian McTaggart, Head of Policy, Performance & Governance
Wards affected:	(All Wards);
Urgent Decision?(yes/no)	No
If yes, reason urgent decision required:	
Appendices (attached):	**Appendix 1** – Annual Report 2019/20 **Appendix 2** – Draft Work Programme 2020/21

Summary

This report presents the Annual Report of the Audit, Crime & Disorder and Scrutiny Committee for 2019/20 and draft work programme 2020/21.

Recommendation (s)

The Committee is asked to:

(1) approve the Annual Report 2019/20 attached at Appendix 1 and to present the Annual Report to the next meeting of Council;

(2) agree the draft work programme 2020/21 attached at Appendix 2.

1 Reason for Recommendation

1.1 Article 6 within Part 2 of the Constitution requires the Audit, Crime & Disorder and Scrutiny Committee to report annually to the Council on its workings and make recommendations for future work programmes and amended working methods if appropriate.

2 Background

2.1 The Audit, Crime & Disorder and Scrutiny Committee was due to consider its Annual Report 2019/20 in April 2020, with presentation to Council at its following meeting. Due to the COVID-19 emergency and lockdown which was put in place in March 2020, consideration by the Committee of its Annual Report and new work programme has been delayed.

2.2 Attached at Appendix 1 is the draft Annual Report 2019/20 which looks back across the year and which notes the impact of COVID-19 on the work of the committee. The last meeting of the Audit, Crime & Disorder and Scrutiny Committee scheduled for 2019/20 (9 April 2020) was cancelled due to the on-going COVID-19 pandemic.

2.3 Attached at Appendix 2 is a draft work programme for 2020/21. This work programme reflects that the June 2020 Committee meeting was not held, and that a Special meeting of the Committee was held on 17 September 2020 to consider the Annual Governance Statement 2019/20. At this meeting the Committee also considered the Annual Internal Audit Report & Opinion 2019/20.

2.4 The draft work programme for 2020/21 has been reorganised to ensure that the Committee is able to meet all of its legal and other responsibilities. A new report on the Council's response to the COVID-19 emergency and lessons learnt has been included in the work programme for February 2021.

2.5 The work programme does remain flexible across the year to enable the Committee to respond to new priorities as they arise.

3 Risk Assessment

Legal or other duties

3.1 Impact Assessment

3.1.1 None for the purposes of this report.

3.2 Crime & Disorder

3.2.1 Scrutiny of the Community Safety Partnership is a responsibility of this Committee.

3.3 Safeguarding

3.3.1 None for the purposes of this report.

3.4 Dependencies

3.4.1 None for the purposes of this report.

3.5 Other

3.5.1 None for the purposes of this report.

4 Financial Implications

4.1 There are no financial implications for the purpose of this report.

4.2 **Section 151 Officer's comments**: None arising from the contents of this report.

5 Legal Implications

5.1 There are no legal implications for the purpose of this report.

5.2 **Monitoring Officer's comments**: none arising from the contents of this report.

6 Policies, Plans & Partnerships

6.1 **Council's Key Priorities**: The following Key Priorities are engaged:

6.1.1 Effective Council – Engaging, responsive and resilient Council

6.1.2 Safe & Well – A place where people feel safe, secure and lead healthy, fulfilling lives

6.2 **Service Plans**: The matter is not included within the current Service Delivery Plan.

6.3 **Climate & Environmental Impact of recommendations**: no relevance for the purposes of this report.

6.4 **Sustainability Policy & Community Safety Implications**: no relevance for the purposes of this report.

6.5 **Partnerships**: Not applicable.

7 Background papers

7.1 The documents referred to in compiling this report are as follows:

Previous reports:

- Agenda and Minutes of the Audit, Crime & Disorder and Scrutiny Committee 16 April 2019
- Agenda and Minutes of the Audit, Crime & Disorder and Scrutiny Committee 25 June 2019
- Agenda and Minutes of the Audit, Crime & Disorder and Scrutiny Committee 21 November 2019
- Agenda and Draft Minutes of the Audit, Crime & Disorder and Scrutiny Committee 6 February 2020

Other papers:

- None.