

COUNCIL: 18 October 2023

Report of: Corporate Director of Transformation, Housing and Resources

Relevant Portfolio Holder: Councillor Y Gagen

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OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23

Wards affected: Borough wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To present the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23 and consider how Overview and Scrutiny is working at West Lancashire.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23, appended to this report, be noted and the Overview and Scrutiny Committees be commended on their work.

3.0 BACKGROUND

3.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report, appended to this report, provides a retrospective insight into the important work undertaken by each of the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committees during 2022/23 that has made a real difference to the work of the authority and contains information on some of the subjects our Committees will be scrutinising during 2023/24.

4.0 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Overview and Scrutiny arrangements can assist in involving the community in decisions which affect their lives.

5.0 FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no significant financial and resource implications arising from this report.

6.0 RISK ASSESSMENT

6.1 Effective overview and scrutiny arrangements are important in holding the executive to account, policy development and meeting statutory requirements.

7.0 HEALTH AND WELLBEING IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no direct health and wellbeing implications arising from this report, however it is inevitable that there will be implications arising from the work that scrutiny undertake at Committees.

Background Documents

There are no background documents (as defined in Section 100D(5) of the Local Government Act 1972) to this Report.

Equality Impact Assessment

The decision does not have any direct impact on members of the public, employees, elected members, or stakeholders. Therefore, no Equality Impact Assessment is required.

Appendices

Appendix - Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23