

Item No. 4.	Classification: Open	Date: 13 May 2017	Meeting Name: Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Report title:		Scrutiny arrangements for 2017-18	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All	
From:		Head of Overview and Scrutiny	

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To note the size and composition of the Overview and Scrutiny committee, as agreed by annual council assembly.
2. To appoint three scrutiny sub-committees as detailed in paragraph 9 of this report.
3. To appoint chairs and vice-chairs of the three scrutiny sub-committees.
4. To agree which committee has responsibility for crime and disorder (see paragraph 9 of this report).

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

5. The annual council assembly meeting on 13 May 2017 appointed an Overview and Scrutiny Committee (OSC) with 11 places. Councillors Gavin Edwards and Rosie Shimell were appointed as chair and vice-chair respectively.
6. OSC is asked to appoint three sub-committees, agree their size and composition, appoint their chairs and vice-chairs and determine whether scrutiny of crime and disorder is allocated to one of the sub-committees or retained by OSC. In 2016-17, crime and disorder was allocated to Housing and Community Safety Sub-Committee.
7. Political groups are entitled to the same number of reserve members as the number of seats they have on each sub-committee.
8. The most proportionate allocation will depend on the number of members of the sub-committee. The table below shows the most proportionate arrangement for individual sub-committees:

Size of sub-committee	Lab	Lib Dem	Con
Nine seats	7	2	0
Eight seats	6	2	0
Seven seats	5	2	0
Six seats	5	1	0
Five seats	4	1	0
Four seats	3	1	0

9. In 2016-17, the size and composition of sub-committees was as set out in the table below. It is recommended that the same sub-committee arrangements are made for 2017-18. This shall include the Housing and Community Safety Scrutiny Sub-Committee undertaking responsibility for crime and disorder.

Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Lab	Lib Dem	Total	Chair/ Vice chair
Education and Children's Services	5	2	7	Labour/Liberal Democrat
Healthy Communities	5	2	7	Labour/Liberal Democrat
Housing and Community Safety	5	2	7	Labour/Liberal Democrat

10. Co-opted members were:
- a. Education and Children's Services – Church of England and Roman Catholic Diocese representatives, two parent governor representatives, one head teacher representative
 - b. Housing and Community Safety – one representative each from Homeowners' Council and Tenants' Council.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
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APPENDICES

Appendix	Title
Appendix 1	Nominations for Chairs and Vice Chairs of the sub-committees

AUDIT TRAIL

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