

## Section 5 – Overview and Scrutiny Functions

### 5.1 Creating Opportunities and Tackling Inequalities Scrutiny Committee

1.	To review and scrutinise the delivery of the Sustainable Community Strategy priority of creating opportunities, tackling inequalities. This will include reviewing and scrutinising the performance of other public bodies in their activities and performance in the delivery of the Single Delivery Plan.
2.	<p>Hold the Executive to account for the discharge of functions in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• by exercising the right to call-in, for reconsideration, decisions made but not yet implemented by the Executive or key decisions which have been delegated to an officer.</li> <li>• by scrutinising Key Decisions which the Executive is planning to take, as set out in the Forward Plan</li> <li>• by scrutinising Executive decisions after they have been implemented, as part of a wider policy review.</li> </ul>
3.	<p>To review and scrutinise the planning, decisions, policy development, service provision and performance relating to the following service areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adult Learning and Skills</li> <li>• Children’s Services</li> <li>• Education</li> <li>• Safeguarding Children</li> </ul>
4.	To assist and advise the Council and the Executive in the development of its budget and policy framework by in-depth analysis of policy issues in relation to the terms of reference of the committee.
5.	Make recommendations to the Executive and/or Council arising from overview and scrutiny activity.
6.	Establish ad-hoc Task and Finish Groups to investigate specific topics on a time-limited basis.
7.	To consider any appeals from petition organisers who are not satisfied with the outcome of the Council’s consideration of their petition.

**5.2 Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee**

1.	To review and scrutinise the delivery of the Sustainable Community Strategy priority of creating strong and supportive communities. This will include reviewing and scrutinising the performance of other public bodies in their activities and performance in the delivery of the Single Delivery Plan.
2.	<p>Hold the Executive to account for the discharge of functions in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• by exercising the right to call-in, for reconsideration, decisions made but not yet implemented by the Executive or key decisions which have been delegated to an officer.</li> <li>• by scrutinising Key Decisions which the Executive is planning to take, as set out in the Forward Plan</li> <li>• by scrutinising Executive decisions after they have been implemented, as part of a wider policy review.</li> </ul>
3.	<p>To review and scrutinise the planning, decisions, policy development, service provision and performance relating to the following service areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cohesion</li> <li>• Cultural Services</li> <li>• Neighbourhood Services</li> <li>• City Centre</li> </ul>
4.	To assist and advise the Council and the Executive in the development of its budget and policy framework by in-depth analysis of policy issues in relation to the terms of reference of the committee.
5.	Make recommendations to the Executive and/or Council arising from overview and scrutiny activity.
6.	Establish ad-hoc Task and Finish Groups to investigate specific topics on behalf of the Committee on a time-limited basis.
7.	To undertake all of the Council's statutory functions in accordance with Sections 19 & 20 and associated regulations of the Police and Justice Act 2006, relating to scrutiny of crime and disorder matters, including acting as the Council's crime and disorder committee.
8.	To consider any appeals from petition organisers who are not satisfied with the outcome of the Council's consideration of their petition.

**5.4 Sustainable Growth & Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee**

1.	<p>To review and scrutinise the delivery of the Sustainable Community Strategy priorities of truly sustainable growth and of creating the UK's environmental capital.</p> <p>To review and scrutinise the delivery of the underpinning Sustainable Community Strategy theme of value for money. This will include reviewing and scrutinising the performance of other public bodies in their activities and performance in the delivery of the Single Delivery Plan.</p>
2.	<p>Hold the Executive to account for the discharge of functions in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• by exercising the right to call-in, for reconsideration, decisions made but not yet implemented by the Executive or key decisions which have been delegated to an officer.</li> <li>• by scrutinising Key Decisions which the Executive is planning to take, as set out in the Forward Plan</li> <li>• by scrutinising Executive decisions after they have been implemented, as part of a wider policy review.</li> </ul>
3.	<p>To review and scrutinise the planning, decisions, policy development, service provision and performance relating to the following service areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business Efficiency</li> <li>• Growth</li> <li>• Planning and Development</li> <li>• Regeneration</li> <li>• Strategic Resources</li> <li>• Environment, Transport &amp; Engineering</li> <li>• Waste Strategy &amp; Management</li> </ul>
4.	<p>To exercise the powers of overview and scrutiny with regard to the Council's corporate functions.</p>
5.	<p>To receive and consider the Executive's annual budget proposals and make recommendations.</p>
6.	<p>To exercise the powers of overview and scrutiny with regard to over-arching policy framework documents, seeking the view of other scrutiny committees where appropriate. This will include the Corporate Plan; Sustainable Community Strategy and Single Delivery Plan.</p>
7.	<p>To review and scrutinise the Council's performance in relation to budgetary management.</p>
8.	<p>To assist and advise the Council and the Executive in the development of its budget and policy framework by in-depth analysis of policy issues in relation to the terms of reference of the committee.</p>
9.	<p>Make recommendations to the Executive and/or Council arising from overview and scrutiny activity.</p>
10.	<p>Establish ad-hoc Task and Finish Groups to investigate specific topics on behalf of the Committee on a time-limited basis.</p>
11.	<p>To consider any appeals from petition organisers who are not satisfied with the outcome of the Council's consideration of their petition.</p>

**5.5 Scrutiny Commission for Rural Communities**

1.	The Commission shall comprise 7 members and not more than 4 non-voting co-opted members.
2.	A member of the Cabinet shall not be appointed to the Commission.
3.	The quorum shall be 4 voting members.
4.	To discharge overview and scrutiny functions, excluding call-in, in relation to any area within the remit of the Scrutiny Committees which has potential for significant impact on the rural communities of Peterborough.
5.	To scrutinise the agencies, mechanisms and processes involved in delivering services to rural communities.
6.	To contribute to the development of policies, strategies and plans in relation to the delivery of services to rural areas.
7.	To advise on and monitor crime and disorder issues in rural areas.
8.	To establish time limited working groups to undertake specific enquiries.
9.	To consider any appeals from petition organisers who are not satisfied with the outcome of the Council's consideration of their petition.

**5.6 Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues**

1.	The Commission shall comprise 7 members and not more than 4 non-voting co-opted members.
2.	A member of the Cabinet shall not be appointed to the Commission.
3.	The quorum shall be 4 voting members.
4.	To discharge overview and scrutiny functions, including call-in, in relation to any area within the remit of the Scrutiny Committees which has potential for significant impact on the health of the communities of Peterborough.
5.	Hold the Executive to account for the discharge of functions in the following ways: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• by exercising the right to call-in, for reconsideration, decisions made but not yet implemented by the Executive or key decisions which have been delegated to an officer.</li> <li>• by scrutinising Key Decisions which the Executive is planning to take, as set out in the Forward Plan</li> <li>• by scrutinising Executive decisions after they have been implemented, as part of a wider policy review.</li> </ul>
6.	To review and scrutinise the planning, decisions, policy development, service provision and performance relating to the following service areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adult Social Care</li> <li>• Public Health</li> <li>• Safeguarding Adults</li> <li>• Scrutiny of the NHS</li> </ul>
7.	To scrutinise the agencies, mechanisms and processes involved in delivering services which have an impact on the health of communities.
8.	To contribute to the development of policies, strategies and plans in relation to the delivery of health services.
9.	To establish time limited working groups to undertake specific enquiries.
10.	To undertake all of the Council's statutory functions in accordance with section 244 of the National Health Service Act 2006, to review and scrutinise matters relating to the health service within the Council's area and to make reports and recommendations to local NHS bodies. This will include appointing members, from within the membership of the Commission, to any joint health overview and scrutiny committees with other local authorities.
11.	To consider any appeals from petition organisers who are not satisfied with the outcome of the Council's consideration of their petition.