

SUBJECT:	ANNUAL SCRUTINY REVIEW
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1. Purpose of Report

This report is the annual review of the work of the Overview Committees at Chiltern, as part of the Authority's annual assurance process.

RECOMMENDATION

The report is noted and provides supporting material for the Annual Governance Statement.

2. Reasons for Recommendations

N/a

3. Content of Report

- 3.1 The overview and scrutiny functions of the Council are carried out by the Services and Resources Overview Committees. They undertake this with the objective of holding the Executive to account for the operation of the Council, and to support the Executive in finalising policies and strategies.
- 3.2 The overview committees structure their work around a number of key themes.
- Performance
 - Finance
 - Service planning and policy development
 - Review of specific topics
- 3.3 For the financial year 2015/16 the work of the two Overview Committees is summarised in Appendix A.
- 3.4 The tables show that across the two Overview Committees there was a good coverage of the Council's services areas and their finances and performance. Some elements of their work was common across the two Committees, i.e. Service plans and PIs.

4. Consultation

N/a

5. Options

N/a

6. Corporate Implications

6.1 The report provides assurance regarding the work of the Council's scrutiny function in accordance with the best practise recommended in the guidance for the preparation of the Annual Governance Statement.

7. Links to Council Policy Objectives

7.1 The Council aims to main high standards of corporate governance as something that is important to the efficient delivery of services and the provision of value for money.

Background Papers:	The agendas of the Services and Resources Overview Committees for 2015/16.
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Services Overview

Theme	Jun 15	Sept 15	Jan 16	Mar 16
Performance	Dial-a-Ride	Performance Report Quarter 1	Performance Report Quarter 2	Performance Report Quarter 3
Finance		CABx Service Agreement		
Service Planning/ Policy Development	Service Plan update	Health Profiles	Service Plans	Energy Strategy
	Voluntary Sector Grants	Smoke Alarm Regulations	Housing Community Organisations Fund	Housing Workshop Feedback
Specific Topics	Colne Valley CiC	Green House Gas	Community Safety Accreditation scheme	Thames Water
	Housing Interaction Trust	Locata Housing System		Flood Management
	Amersham Arms Houses			Air Quality
	Sprinters Car Park			
	Leisure Centres			

Resources Overview

Theme	Jul 15	Oct 15	Nov 15	Jan 16	Mar 16
Performance	Annual Performance Report	Performance Report Quarter 1	Performance Report Quarter 2		Performance Report Quarter 3
					Review of Performance Indicators for 16/17
Finance	Review of Reserves		Draft Revenue Budget 1617	Revenue Budget and Council Tax for 1617	
	Debt Write offs	Debt Write offs		Capital Programme and R&R 1617	Debt Write offs
	R&R Programme			Treasury Management Strategy 1617	
Service Planning/ Policy Development		Joint Business Plan		Service Plans 16/17	
Specific Topics					