

WIRRAL BOROUGH COUNCIL

SCRUTINY PROGRAMME BOARD – 3rd JUNE 2010

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF LAW, HR AND ASSET MANAGEMENT

ANNUAL SCRUTINY REPORT 2009 / 10

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report updates members on the proposal to produce an Annual Scrutiny Report for the municipal year of 2009 / 10. The production of the Annual Scrutiny Report should be member-led. Therefore, members have the opportunity to make suggestions regarding the format and content of the report which has yet to be produced.

1. Background

- 1.1 An Annual Scrutiny report should be produced by every local authority for each municipal year. The report will provide an overview of the work carried out and the achievements recorded by the Scrutiny Programme Board and the five Overview and Scrutiny Committees. The report also gives an opportunity to highlight the positive aspects that scrutiny has brought to the authority during the 2009 /10 municipal year.

2. Proposal for the 2009 / 10 report

- 2.1 It is proposed that the Annual Report for 2009 / 10 will be produced during the summer period. The report will cover the period from May 2009 until April 2010.
- 2.2 The equivalent report that was produced for the municipal year 2008 / 9 is attached as Appendix 1. Members are requested to comment on whether the format and content for the 2009 / 10 report should be similar to previous versions or whether they would like to suggest an alternative approach.
- 2.3 During the production of the previous Annual Scrutiny Reports, the Committee Chairs have been responsible for agreeing the content of the section for the respective Scrutiny Committee. Members are requested to comment on whether they support a similar process this year.
- 2.4 A draft version of the report will be presented to a meeting of the Scrutiny Programme Board later in the year.

3 Financial implications

None

4 Staffing implications

None

5 Equal Opportunities implications

None

- 6 Community Safety implications**
None
- 7 Local Agenda 21 implications**
None
- 8 Planning implications**
None
- 9 Anti-poverty implications**
None
- 10 Human Rights implications**
None
- 11 Social Inclusion implications**
None
- 12 Local Member Support implications**
None
- 13 Background Papers**
None

RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) That the Scrutiny Programme Board comment on the format and content of the proposed Annual Scrutiny Report for the municipal year of 2009 / 10.