

ESSENTIAL REFERENCE PAPER 'A'

IMPLICATIONS/CONSULTATIONS

Contribution to the Council's Corporate Priorities/ Objectives	<p>Any topics reviewed during the past year related to at least one of the Council's corporate objectives for that year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• People• Place• Prosperity <p>Any issues identified for scrutiny in future will relate to at least one of the new/current corporate objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Improve the health and wellbeing of our communities• Enhance the quality of people's lives• Enable a flourishing local economy
Consultation:	<p>The Annual Report has been drafted following consultation with all scrutiny Chairmen. All members of scrutiny committees have had the opportunity to contribute to the evaluation of the year's work.</p> <p>The Executive and Directors have also been given the opportunity to comment on 2015/16 scrutiny activity. The Leadership Team have seen and approved the final draft of the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report on 25 April 2016.</p> <p>2015/16 Committee Chairmen have seen and approved the final version of the Annual Report by email and the 2016/17 Scrutiny Chairmen have also agreed it at their meeting on 26 May 2016.</p>
Legal:	<p>The Council's constitution states in Part 2 at paragraph 6.3 (c) that - "Scrutiny committees must report annually to full Council on their workings and make recommendations for future work programmes and amended working methods if appropriate."</p>
Financial:	<p>The cost of circulating the report to Members can be met within existing budgets.</p> <p>Greater use will be made of signposting interested parties and partners to the Council's website to access the Annual Report which will minimise use of material resources, distribution costs and gain potential CO₂</p>

	efficiencies from on-line provision.
Human Resource:	none
Risk Management:	Matters which may benefit from scrutiny may be overlooked. The selection of inappropriate topics for review would risk inefficient use of resources. Where this involved partners, it could risk damaging the reputation of the council and relations with partners.
Health and wellbeing – issues and impacts:	<p>The broad remit of scrutiny is to review topics which are of concern to the public, many of which have an indirect impact on the general wellbeing of residents of East Herts.</p> <p>The Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee is set up to specifically focus in on issues and topics which have a direct and immediate impact on the health and wellbeing of all those who live, work or study in the district.</p>