

Part 1: Chapter 14

Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees

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1.1. Background

Under the Local Government Act 2000 (“The 2000 Act”), the County Council must establish at least one Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The County Council has decided to appoint five such Committees known as Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees. Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees may appoint such Sub-Committees as they consider appropriate from time to time. Representation on these Committees and Sub-Committees will bear the same proportionality as the political composition of the whole County Council (Section 9 FA (6) of Part 1A of the 2000 Act).

1.2. General role

The main purpose of Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committee is to hold the Executive to account. Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees also have a broad advisory role in relation to functions of the whole County Council and matters affecting the locality of Hampshire.

Within their scope, Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees will:

- 1.2.1. review and scrutinise decisions made, or actions taken, in connection with the discharge of Executive functions;
- 1.2.2. make reports or recommendations to the County Council or the Executive, in connection with the discharge of Executive functions;
- 1.2.3. review and scrutinise decisions made or actions taken, in connection with the discharge of Non-Executive functions;
- 1.2.4. make reports or recommendations to the County Council or the Executive, in respect of the discharge of Non-Executive functions;
- 1.2.5. make reports or recommendations to the County Council or the Executive on any matter affecting the County Council’s area or members of the public in Hampshire;

- 1.2.6. call in decisions made by the Executive which have not yet been implemented which they consider should be reviewed or scrutinised;
- 1.2.7. review and scrutinise the exercise by risk management authorities of flood and coastal erosion management functions which affect the County Council's area;
- 1.2.8. review and scrutinise decisions made, or other action taken, in connection with the discharge by the County Council of its crime and disorder functions, and make reports and recommendations to the County Council in respect of the discharge of such functions.

1.3. **Appointment of Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees**

The County Council appoints the Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees, set out in the left-hand column of the table set out in Part 2 Chapter 5, to perform the functions conferred by Section 9 F and Sections 9 FA to 9 FI of Part 1A of the 2000 Act, Section 19 of the Police and Justice Act 2006, by Sections 16 and 17 of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009, and by the Health and Social Care Act 2001 and the National Health Service Act 2006 (as updated by the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007) and regulations provided in accordance with these Acts or by any relevant amending or superseding legislation, and having regard to statutory guidance in relation to the matters set out in the right-hand column.