

## **Scrutiny Annual Report: April 2020 to March 2021**

**Select Committee:** Policy and Resources

**Report of Chairman:** Councillor Jonathan Glen

### **Statutory Duties Undertaken:**

*Crime and Disorder* - This Select Committee has the remit to cover the statutory duty to scrutinise Crime and Disorder issues as per the Police and Justice Act 2006 (However, this does not cover the Police and Crime Commissioner, who is held to account by the Police and Crime Panel).

In November 2020, the Select Committee received an update on the Hampshire Community Safety Strategy Group and how it was addressing Hampshire's community safety priorities.

**Pre-scrutiny of Significant Executive Decisions:** None in this period

**Call-in of Significant Executive Decisions:** None this period

### **Scrutiny of Budgets and Performance:**

#### Serving Hampshire – 2019/20 Performance Report

In June 2020, the Select Committee considered the 'Serving Hampshire' 2019/20 Annual Corporate Performance Report.

#### Medium-Term Financial Report

In September 2020, the Select Committee received an update on the medium-term financial prospects for the County Council to 2022/23, in particular in view of the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic.

#### Revenue Budgets for Corporate Services and Culture, Communities and Business Services for 2020/21 and the Proposed Capital Programme for Culture, Communities and Business Services for 2021/22 to 2023/24

At the January 2021 meeting the Select Committee pre-scrutinised the proposed Revenue Budgets for Corporate Services and Culture, Communities and Business Services for 2020/21 and the proposed Capital Programme for Culture, Communities and Business Services for 2021/22 to 2023/24.

Following debate, the Select Committee supported the proposals to the Executive Member for Policy and Resources and the Executive Member for Commercial Strategy, Human Resources and Performance respectively.

### **Questioning and exploring areas of interest and concern:**

- Covid 19 Financial Impact – June 2020
- Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan update - September 2020

- Presentations from Local Enterprise Partnerships (Solent LEP and EM3 LEP – November 2020)
- Economic Recovery Update and Measures – November 2020
- Broadband update and Presentations with Openreach – March 2021

### **Management of the Scrutiny Function/Oversight of Other Scrutiny Committees:**

The Policy and Resources Select Committee has a remit to manage the work taking place across the scrutiny function. This year this was achieved through receiving a summary of activity taking place through the other Select Committees at each meeting.

**Upcoming topics:** The following topics feature on the Select Committee's Work Programme:

- New draft Serving Hampshire Strategic Plan
- IT Update
- Work of Hampshire Community Safety Strategy Group