

**MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL**

**23 SEPTEMBER 2009**

**REPORT OF ACTING OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGER**

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**1. Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2008-09**

1.1 Issue for Decision

1.1.1 To consider the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2008-09.

1.2 Recommendation of Acting Overview and Scrutiny Manager

1.2.1 That the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2008-09 be noted.

1.3 Reasons for Recommendation

1.3.1 The Maidstone Borough Council Constitution states "Overview and Scrutiny Committees may report annually to the full Council on their workings and make recommendations for future work programmes and amended working methods if appropriate" (Part One, Article 6:03(d)).

1.3.2 The attached report summarises the work of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees during 2008-09 and highlights key issues for 2009-10 and beyond.

1.4 Alternative Action and why not Recommended

1.4.1 The Council could choose not to receive the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report, however this could diminish knowledge of the work of the Committees and would fail to keep the full Membership updated on changes to the function.

1.5 Impact on Corporate Objectives

1.5.1 None.

1.6 Risk Management

1.6.1 There are no risks associated with the Council noting the Annual Report.

1.7 Other Implications [Insert an 'X' in the boxes below to indicate if the recommendations will have any implications in the specified area]

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| 1. | Financial                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. | Staffing                              | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. | Legal                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. | Social Inclusion                      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. | Environmental/Sustainable Development | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. | Community Safety                      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. | Human Rights Act                      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. | Procurement                           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. | Asset Management                      | <input type="checkbox"/> |

1.8 Background Documents

1.8.1 None.

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Is this a Key Decision?    Yes        No   

If yes, when did it appear in the Forward Plan? \_\_\_\_\_

Is this an Urgent Key Decision?    Yes        No   

Reason for Urgency

N/a