

## **Report of the Chair of the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the meeting to be held on Thursday 9 July 2020**

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### **Subject:**

**Resolution Tracking 2019-20**

### **Summary statement:**

**This report details the progress made against the resolutions passed by the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee, during the 2019-20 Municipal Year.**

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### **Portfolio:**

**Corporate  
Safer and Stronger Communities**

### **Overview & Scrutiny Area:**

**Corporate**

## **1. SUMMARY**

- 1.1 This report presents the progress made against the resolutions passed by the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee, during the 2019-20 Municipal Year.

## **2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 At the Overview and Scrutiny Chairs and Deputy Chairs meeting held on Thursday 17 October 2013, members agreed that a report on Resolution Tracking should be placed on the Work Programme for each Committee at the end of each Municipal Year.
- 2.2 The Overview and Scrutiny Team use a database to plan, and track the recommendations of each Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- 2.3 The recommendations made by Corporate Overview and Scrutiny in 2019-20, are attached as Appendix 1 to this report.

## **3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

- 3.1 The Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee has the responsibility for “the strategies, plans, policies, functions and services directly relevant to the corporate priority about customer services and e-government, that improve the Councils ability to deliver, govern and change, community cohesion and all other corporate matters not falling within the responsibility of any other Overview and Scrutiny Committee.” (Council Constitution, Part 2, 6.2.1).
- 3.2 The remit of this Committee also includes:
- the co-ordination of the discharge of the Overview and Scrutiny role within the Council and in relation to external bodies;
  - supporting the Executive through its contribution towards the improvement of the Council’s performance;
  - Co-ordinating the development of the Overview and Scrutiny role within the Council.
- 3.3 Tracking recommendations made by the Committee helps monitor the effectiveness of the Overview and Scrutiny function and improves forward planning, whilst also allowing for improved feedback to Committee Members, the Executive and Council Leadership.
- 3.4 The Overview and Scrutiny database is a good planning and tracking tool, as tracking recommendations will assist the Committee in establishing whether recommendations made are adding value and leading to improvements in service delivery and quality.
- 3.5 In 2019-20 the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee made a number of recommendations and some of these are in the areas of:
- Financial Monitoring and Performance monitoring;
  - Safer and Stronger Communities;

- Poverty;
- Prevent;
- Equalities.

3.6 The Committee has also undertaken a detailed Scrutiny Review into Managing Attendance across Bradford Council. This will be reported early in this Municipal Year. However there are some outstanding Scrutiny Reviews that the Committee will be undertaking in the new Municipal Year and these include:

- Hate Crime;
- Fireworks;
- Domestic Violence.

3.7 However there are also some outstanding and emerging areas of work which include:

- People Can;
- Gambling.

#### **4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL**

4.1 Maintaining and Overview of the Councils Financial position, is a key area of work for the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

#### **5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES**

5.1 Where appropriate, areas of work will be considered in accordance with Bradford Councils Risk Management Strategy.

#### **6. LEGAL APPRAISAL**

6.1 None.

#### **7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

##### **7.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY**

Community Cohesion and Equalities related issues are part of the work remit of this Committee.

##### **7.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS**

None.

##### **7.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS**

None.

#### **7.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**

A key priority of work for this Committee related to the Overview and Scrutiny of the strategies, plans, policies, functions and services directly relevant to the priority of Safer and Stronger Communities.

As well as this, the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee is also the authority's Crime and Disorder Committee under the provisions of Section 19 of the Police and Justice Act 2006.

#### **7.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT**

None.

#### **7.6 TRADE UNION**

None.

#### **7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS**

Work of this Overview and Scrutiny Committee has ward implications, but this depends on the nature of the topic.

#### **7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CORPORATE PARENTING**

None.

#### **7.10 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT**

None.

#### **8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS**

None.

#### **9. OPTIONS**

- 9.1 Members may wish to consider further action where sufficient progress has not been made against the recommendations.

#### **10. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 10.1 That members consider and comment on the recommendations made in the 2019-20 Municipal Year, with particular focus on recommendation areas where no or insufficient progress has been made.

## **11. APPENDICES**

Appendix One – Recommendation Tracking, for the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

## **12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Council Constitution.