

## **Scrutiny Management Committee**

**23 April 2007**

### **Report of the Head of Civic, Democratic and Legal Services**

#### **Summary**

1. This report introduces the annual reports from Cllr Ian Cuthbertson and Cllr Charles Hall that will update members on the recent work of the Health and Education Scrutiny Committees respectively.

#### **Background**

2. The Council's Constitution places a responsibility on Scrutiny Committees to report annually to Scrutiny Management Committee. The Chair of Education Scrutiny last reported to SMC on 20 November 2006 and the Chair of Health Scrutiny did so on 23 October 2006. As this is the final meeting of the current municipal year they were asked to give a further update to SMC members. The annual education scrutiny report is attached at Annex A and the annual health scrutiny report is attached at Annex B.

#### **Consultation**

3. Although not relevant for the production of this report, consultation has been undertaken as part of all the reviews referred to in the annual reports attached.

#### **Options**

4. Having received this report and the annual reports attached, Members may ask relevant questions of the two Chairmen.

#### **Analysis**

5. The Education and Health Scrutiny Committees are currently the only two permanent Scrutiny bodies in existence within City of York Council. They have stable and committed memberships and programmes of work which enable productive relationships with officers from the relevant directorates and outside organisations.

## Corporate Priorities

6. The work of the Education Scrutiny Committee is aimed at Corporate Priority 5 i.e. 'To increase people's skills and knowledge to improve future employment prospects' and the work of the Health Scrutiny Committee is aimed at Corporate Priority i.e. 'To improve the health and lifestyles of the people who live in York, in particular among groups whose levels of health are the poorest'.

## Implications

7. There are no known Financial, HR, Equalities, Legal, Crime and Disorder, IT or other implications at this stage.

## Risk Management

8. In compliance with the Councils risk management strategy. There are no risks associated with the recommendations of this report.

## Recommendations

9. Members are asked to note the contents of the reports from the Chairs of the Education and Health Scrutiny Committees.

Reason: In order to meet the delegated authority of Scrutiny Management Committee as defined in CYC's Constitution.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s) - None

Wards Affected:

All



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Background Papers - None

## Annexes

Annex A – Report of Chair of Education Scrutiny Committee

Annex B - Report of Chair of Health Scrutiny Committee