



Report to Scrutiny

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Subject of Report:	Final Report of Scrutiny Review Panel 1 – 2013/2014: Governance
Meeting:	Scrutiny Review Panel 1 – 2013/2014: Governance 3 April 2014
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Brief:	To consider and agree the Final Report of the Panel.
Recommendations:	The Panel is asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- agree their Final Report; with any amendments:- agree that the Chair and Vice Chair be authorised to approve a final version of the full report in time for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting in June 2014 and Cabinet meeting in July 2014; and- suggest topics for scrutiny in the 2014/2015 municipal year.

1. Final Report of Scrutiny Review Panel 1 – 2013/2014: Governance

1.1 The Draft Final Report of Scrutiny Review Panel 3 – 2013/2014: Economic Growth and Business Development is attached as **Appendix A** to this report. The purpose of this report is to enable the Panel to make decisions about the content of its final report to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

1.2 The Panel is asked to:

- review the report and proposed recommendations with officer comments contained in Section 10.0 of Appendix A and finalise the recommendations that should be included in the final report;
- consider and discuss Members' own ideas for additions or amendments to the report including any other key learning points for inclusion in the final report; and
- agree that the Chair and Vice Chair be authorised to approve a final version of the full report in time for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting in June 2014 and Cabinet meeting in July 2014.

Scrutiny Topics for 2014/2015

1.3 The Panel is asked to suggest topics for scrutiny in the 2014/2015 municipal year. The suggested topics will be included in the list of topics for selection at the Ealing Annual Scrutiny Conference on 12 June 2014.

2. Legal Implications

2.1 The constitution requires that Review Panel recommendations be submitted to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for approval prior to submission to Cabinet. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is scheduled to consider these recommendations in June 2014.

2.2 The general scrutiny functions and powers are set out in the Council Constitution (as amended).

3. Financial Implications

3.1 Officers' comments on the proposed recommendations are included in Section 10.0 of Appendix A. Generally, service officers' comments are that actions recommended will be contained within existing budgets or be the subject of a business case to Cabinet where funding implications and options will be presented.

3.2 Support to the Panel is contained within the allocated budget. Value for money will be achieved from the Panel completing its brief to time and quality, with considered recommendations which will assist in achieving the objectives set out in the corporate plan. Each recommendation in the final report will (where applicable) clearly show the cost of implementing the proposal.

4. Other Implications

4.1 Officers' comments on the proposed recommendations are included in Section 10.0 of Appendix A.

5. Background Papers

- 5.1 Ealing Council's Constitution, available at
http://www.ealing.gov.uk/info/200892/decision_making/597/council_constitution

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Report Consultation

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Internal				
Keith Fraser	Head of Scrutiny and Committees	28.02.14/ 24.03.14		
Helen Harris	Director of Legal and Democratic Services	28.02.14/ 24.03.14		
Jenny Jones	Head of Finance	24.03.14		
Corporate Board	Chief Executive and All Executive Directors	07.03.14		
Cllr Anthony Young	Panel Chair	06.03.14		
Cllr Yoel Gordon	Panel Vice Chair	06.03.14		
External				
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