

## Overview and Scrutiny Committee Member Role

The Member will have the following role:

- Participate in the work of the Overview and Scrutiny committee, as directed by the Council's Constitution and the Committee's terms of reference.

The purposes of the Committee is to:

- review and/or scrutinise decisions made, or actions taken in connection with the discharge of any of the Council's functions;
- make reports and/or recommendations to the full Council and/or the executive in connection with the discharge of any functions;
- consider any matter affecting the area or its inhabitants;
- exercise the right to "call-in", for consideration, decisions made but not yet implemented by the Cabinet;
- consider any decisions by the Cabinet or officers or under joint arrangements which have been called in by three or more councillors pursuant to the Council's call-in procedure.

The Committee may, in respect of matters within its terms of reference:

- review and scrutinise the decisions made by, and performance of, the Cabinet and Council officers, both in relation to individual decisions and over time;
- review and scrutinise the performance of the Council in relation to its policy objectives, performance targets and/or particular service areas;
- question Members of the Cabinet and chief officers about their decisions and performance, whether generally in comparison with service plans and targets over a period of time, or in relation to particular decisions, initiatives or projects;
- make recommendations to the Cabinet and/or Council arising from the outcome of the scrutiny process;
- review and scrutinise the performance of other public bodies in the area and invite reports from them by requesting them to address the policy review panels and local people about their activities and performance; and
- question and gather evidence from any person (with their consent).
- (See also Part 2, Article 6) [need to insert link back to constitution](#)