

REPORT OF THE SCRUTINY COMMISSION

A. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2024/25

Introduction

1. The Constitution requires that the Scrutiny Commission and Overview and Scrutiny Committees submit an Annual Report to the Council (or the Scrutiny Commission in a single report on their behalf) on their workings. The report may make recommendations about future work programmes and changes in working methods.

Annual Report

2. Attached as Appendix A to this report is a copy of the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report for 2024/25. It is intended as a public facing summary of the key highlights of scrutiny activity undertaken during the year and serves to draw out the work undertaken at committee level and how this has had an impact.
3. The Annual Report reflects on the range of specific topics that have been reviewed, including the proposed content of the Council's interim plan for local government reorganisation, the future capacity of the Council's Records Office and the risk posed to the Council's Arts Council England accreditation, performance within the Transforming SEND and Inclusion in Leicestershire Programme, the work of the Flood Risk Management Team in response to flooding across the County, and Public Health initiatives to support social isolation and loneliness in Leicestershire.

Conclusions

4. The work of Overview and Scrutiny remains important in holding decision makers such as the Cabinet to account, in ensuring that the Council's budget and performance is closely monitored, and in making certain that outcomes are delivered for the benefit of the residents of Leicestershire.

(Motion to be moved:

That the information contained in the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2024-25, appended to this report, be noted.)

9 June 2025

**Mrs D. Taylor CC
Chairman of the Scrutiny Commission**

Background Papers

<https://democracy.leics.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=137&MId=7834&Ver=4>

Appendix

Appendix - Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2024-25