CYNGOR GWYNEDD

Report to a meeting of Cyngor Gwynedd

Date of meeting: 11 July 2024

Title of Item: Scrutiny Annual Report 2023-24

Member: Councillor Beth Lawton, Chair of the Scrutiny Forum

Contact Officer: Ian Jones, Head of Democratic Services (Head of

Corporate Support Department)

THE DECISION SOUGHT

To accept the report.

BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE

- 1. In accordance with the constitution, a report is submitted to a meeting of the Full Council elaborating on the scrutiny work carried out during the year.
- 2. The report, which provides an overview of the scrutiny work undertaken during 2023-24, is shared under these headings:
 - Annual Workshops
 - Audit Wales Review
 - Scrutiny Forum
 - Scrutiny Committees
 - Scrutiny Investigation
 - Task and Finish Group
 - Performance Challenge
 - Training
 - Facts about Scrutiny in Gwynedd in 2023/24
- 3. The purpose of scrutiny in Gwynedd is to 'Contribute to driving improvement in services for the people of Gwynedd'. The annual report highlights the impact of the scrutiny work in delivering in accordance with the purpose.
- 4. A concise version of the report has been produced with the intention to present 2023-24 scrutiny work in a succinct and easy to read format.

APPENDICES:

Appendix 1 - Scrutiny Annual Report 2023-24

Appendix 2 - Concise Version

ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO RECOMMENDING THE DECISION

The possible content of the Annual Report was discussed at the meeting of the Scrutiny Forum on 7 May 2024. The draft report was shared with the members of the Scrutiny Forum to receive their comments.

THE STATUTORY OFFICERS' OBSERVATIONS

Monitoring Officer:

Overview and scrutiny committees have a key role in the Council's governance arrangements. The report reflects the range of this work which the committees deliver and also keeping an overview of the Cabinet. I'm content that the information presented shows that this role is being addressed appropriately.

Statutory Finance Officer:

I believe that this report is a fair reflection of the wide and detailed scrutiny undertaken during 2023/24. The report does not create additional expenditure commitment.