# CITY & COUNTY OF CARDIFF COUNCIL DINAS A SIR CAERDYDD

#### **COMMUNITY & ADULT SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:**

13 MAY 2015

# COMMUNITY & ADULT SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2014-15

### **Background**

- 1. The Cardiff Council Constitution requires all Scrutiny Committees to 'report annually to the Council on their workings and make recommendations for future work programmes and amended working methods if appropriate'.
- 2. A copy of the Community & Adult Services Scrutiny Committee's draft Annual Report 2014-15 is attached at **Appendix A**. This report outlines the Committee's activities from June 2014 through to May 2015, and provides examples of the various types of scrutiny undertaken. Where possible the report identifies the impact that the Committee has had, in terms of the Cabinet's responses to the Committee's comments and recommendations.
- 3. The report concludes by setting out topics that the Committee has indicated that it may like to include in its 2015-16 work programme as suitable priorities for future scrutiny examination. The Committee will be agreeing its work programme in the coming weeks and these items will be discussed as part of this process.

#### **Legal Implications**

4. The Scrutiny Committee is empowered to enquire, consider, review and recommend but not to make policy decisions. As the recommendations in this report are to consider and review matters there are no direct legal implications. However, legal implications may arise if and when the matters under review are implemented with or without any modifications. Any report with recommendations for decision that goes to Cabinet/Council will set out any legal implications arising

from those recommendations. All decisions taken by or on behalf of the Council must (a) be within the legal powers of the Council; (b) comply with any procedural requirement imposed by law; (c) be within the powers of the body or person exercising powers on behalf of the Council; (d) be undertaken in accordance with the procedural requirements imposed by the Council e.g. Scrutiny Procedure Rules; (e) be fully and properly informed; (f) be properly motivated; (g) be taken having regard to the Council's fiduciary duty to its taxpayers; and (h) be reasonable and proper in all the circumstances

## **Financial Implications**

5. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Committee is recommended to consider, if necessary amend, and approve the attached draft Community & Adult Services Scrutiny Committee Annual Report 2014-15 to be laid before Council.

MARIE ROSENTHAL County Clerk and Monitoring Officer 30<sup>th</sup> April 2015