

SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULES – Rules 1 and 2 (Extract from full Rules)

1 **Scrutiny Committees**

The Council will have the five Scrutiny Committees set out in Article 6 and will appoint to them as it considers appropriate from time to time. Scrutiny Committees will have a membership of nine elected Members unless otherwise determined by the Council.

Scrutiny Committees may appoint "Task and Finish" Sub Committees comprised of up to nine elected Members, for a fixed period, on the expiry of which they shall cease to exist. These will not exercise the formal powers associated with scrutiny (which are the preserve of the Committees), but can contribute to, or inform, the scrutiny process. A Scrutiny Committee may agree to invite one or more advisors with relevant expertise to participate in a Task and Finish group inquiry.

2 **Members of Scrutiny Committees**

All councillors, except members of the Cabinet, may be members of a Scrutiny Committee or a Task and Finish Sub Committee. However, no member may be involved in scrutinising a decision which he/she has been directly involved in taking.