

Report of:	Head of Housing & Partnerships
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Key Decision:	No
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COMMUNITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**17 JULY 2018****HOUSING, CRIME AND PARTNERSHIPS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE****ANNUAL REPORT 2017-18****1 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 This report summarises the work undertaken by the Housing, Crime & Community Safety Scrutiny Committee during the municipal year 2017-18.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 That Members note the report and approve its submission to Council.

3 Key Issues and Reasons for Recommendation

- 3.1 The report summarises the work undertaken by the Housing, Crime and Partnerships Scrutiny Committee during the municipal year 2017-18.
- 3.2 The Committee received information on:
- (i) the end of year outturn for the Priority Delivery Plan for 2016-17;
 - (ii) progress reports on the Priority Delivery Plan for 2017-18;
 - (iii) Anti Social Behaviour Policy review – working group
 - (iv) Locality Policing Review – working group

3.3 The Anti Social Behaviour (ASB) Policy review focussed on developing a corporate Anti Social Behaviour Policy linked with the Council's Housing Anti Social Behaviour Policy. The aim of the review was have one corporate approach for dealing with ASB and to bring in broader partnership working in relation to new powers and tools and diversionary activities.

- A Draft Corporate Anti Social Behaviour Policy was produced and it was noted that the implementation of the Policy had additional staffing resource implications. The Head of Service was going to consider on how to best to move this matter forward.
- The Locality Policing Review – was removed from the work programme as Members did not have the power to direct the work of the Police and there was also a lack of clarity about what the review wanted to achieve.

4 Relationship to Corporate Priorities

4.1 The remit of the Housing, Crime and Partnerships Scrutiny Committee is linked to the Council's corporate priority for Housing and Community Safety.

5 Report Detail

5.1 It was agreed in July 2016 by full Council that in future the Scrutiny Committees would produce an annual report for Council on the work undertaken by each of the Committees.

5.2 The key role of the Scrutiny Committee is to:

- Hold the executive to account;
- Ensure corporate priorities are met
- Review and develop policies
- scrutinise partners
- consider performance management information

5.3 The remit of the Housing, Crime and Community Safety Scrutiny Committee during 2017-18 included:

- Strategic Housing & Tenancy Services
- Housing Maintenance
- Housing Property Services
- Community Safety
- Partnerships
- CCTV

5.4 The Committee considered the following items during 2017-18:

19th July 2017

- End of Performance Report 2016 – 17
- Community Safety Scrutiny & Housing Scrutiny Committee Annual Reports 2016 - 17

- Prevent Action Plan
- Cannock Local Policing Team Update
- Voids Action Plan
- Work Programme 2017 – 18

23rd November 2017

- Anti Social Behaviour Policy – Presentation
- Cannock Local Policing Team Update
- PDP Q1&2 2017 – 18 Update
- Work Programme Review

21st March 2018

- Cannock Local Policing Team Update
- Corporate Anti Social Behaviour Policy - Update
- PDP Q3 2017 – 18 update
- Re-thinking Social Housing Workshop

5.5 A Member Working Group was established to develop the Corporate ASB Policy. This ASB Working Group met on 1 occasion and agreed to include Hate Crime and Domestic Abuse into the Corporate ASB Policy.

5.6 The implementation of the draft Corporate Anti Social Behaviour Policy would have staffing resource implications and the Head of Service agreed that the Managing Director would be consulted on the roll-out of the Policy.

5.7 The Committee took part in a Re-Thinking Social Housing Workshop – the Project was launched by the Chartered Institute of Housing (CIH) last Autumn to a national conversation going focussed around 3 key questions:-

- 1) What is Social Housing?
- 2) What it does?
- 3) Who its for?

“What its role and purpose should be”

5.8 Nationally 3000 people took part in the project and almost 200 workshops were held across England the results are expected in the Summer of 2018.

6 Implications

6.1 Financial

None

6.2 Legal

None

6.3 **Human Resources**

None

6.4 **Section 17 (Crime Prevention)**

None

6.5 **Human Rights Act**

None

6.6 **Data Protection**

None

6.7 **Risk Management**

None

6.8 **Equality & Diversity**

None

6.9 **Best Value**

None

7 Appendices to the Report

None

Previous Consideration

None

Background Papers

None