

**South Lakeland District Council**  
**Council**  
**Wednesday, 18 May 2022**  
**Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2021/2022**

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**Portfolio:** Cllr Vicky Hughes  
**Report from:** Monitoring Officer  
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**Wards:** (All Wards);

**Links to Council Plan Priorities:** The work of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee contributes towards all the Councils priorities Working across boundaries, Delivering a balanced community, A fairer South Lakeland, Addressing the climate emergency.

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**1.0 Expected Outcome and Measures of Success**

1.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be able to demonstrate the work that it has undertaken during the 2021-22 municipal year and the value it has added. It will also be able to outline the work planned for the municipal year 2022-23.

**2.0 Recommendation**

**2.1 It is recommended that Council receives the Overview and Scrutiny Report 2021/22, as attached at Appendix 1.**

**3.0 Background and Proposals**

3.1 Article 6.04 (Overview and Scrutiny) of the Council's Constitution requires that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee must report annually to Council on its work, with recommendations for its future work programme and any amended working methods, if appropriate.

3.2 The Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2021-22 looks back at the work of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee over the past 12 months, as well as looking forward to the year ahead.

**4.0 Appendices Attached to this Report**

<b>Appendix No.</b>	<b>Name of Appendix</b>
1	Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2021/22

**5.0 Consultation**

5.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report has been produced in consultation with the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered the draft report on Friday, 04 March 2022.

**6.0 Alternative Options**

6.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is required by the Council's Constitution to produce an annual report.

## 7.0 Implications

### Financial, Resources and Procurement

- 7.1 There are no financial or resource implications arising from this report. The work undertaken by scrutiny needs to provide value for money and make the best use of available resources.

### Human Resources

- 7.2 There are no staffing implications directly arising from this report. However, it should be noted that items on the work programme, such as Task & Finish Groups and Workshops can have an impact upon staffing resources.

### Legal

- 7.3 There is a legal requirement for local authorities to operate an Overview and Scrutiny Committee. In order to ensure that the work of the committee adds value to the work of the Council and underpins the Council Plan priorities, it is important that the Committee is effective in its role.

### Health and Sustainability Impact Assessment

- 7.4 Have you completed a Health and Sustainability Impact Assessment? No.
- 7.5 If you have not completed an Impact Assessment, please explain your reasons:  
This is a look back at the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's work undertaken over the last 12 months.

### Equality and Diversity

- 7.6 Have you completed an Equality Impact Analysis? No.
- 7.7 If you have not completed an Impact Analysis, please explain your reasons:  
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Risk Management	Consequence	Controls required
An annual report is not produced.	Failure to maintain constitutional requirements. The opportunity to consider and promote the work of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee is lost.	A comprehensive and timely annual report is produced.
The Overview and Scrutiny work programme does not address the Council's delivery of priorities and targets in the Council Plan.	Absence of challenge and overview of the Council progress in meeting the Council's priorities.	The annual report and work programme are utilised to focus the work of the Overview and Scrutiny function.

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### Background Documents Available

None.

## Tracking Information

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