

DECISION-MAKER:	OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE		
SUBJECT:	SCRUTINY INQUIRY PANEL – REDUCING DRUG RELATED LITTER IN SOUTHAMPTON FINAL REPORT		
DATE OF DECISION:	15 MARCH 2018		
REPORT OF:	CHAIR OF THE SCRUTINY INQUIRY PANEL		
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY			
None			
BRIEF SUMMARY			
<p>From October 2017 to March 2018 the Scrutiny Inquiry Panel undertook an inquiry looking at reducing drug related litter in Southampton. The Scrutiny Inquiry Panel are meeting on 8th March 2018 to consider the draft final report, attached as Appendix 1. Subject to the draft final report being agreed at the meeting of the Inquiry Panel the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee (OSMC) is requested to consider and approve the report.</p>			
RECOMMENDATIONS:			
	(i)	Subject to the report, attached as Appendix 1, being agreed at the meeting of the Scrutiny Inquiry Panel on 8th March 2018, the OSMC is recommended to consider and approve the final report of the Scrutiny Inquiry Panel and forward it to the Executive for consideration and further action.	
	(ii)	To delegate authority to the Chair of the Committee to approve any minor amendments arising from considerations raised at the Committee's meeting on 15th March 2018.	
REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS			
1.	In accordance with the Council's constitution, this Committee must approve the final report of a scrutiny inquiry and refer it to the Executive for consideration and further action.		
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED			
2.	None.		
DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)			
3.	The OSMC, at its meeting on 10th August 2017, requested that the Scrutiny Inquiry Panel undertake an inquiry looking at reducing drug related litter in Southampton.		
4.	<p>The set objectives of the inquiry were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. To understand the prevalence and impact of drug related litter in Southampton. b. To understand the reasons for the prevalence of drug related litter. 		

	<p>c. To review progress being made in Southampton to tackle drug related litter.</p> <p>d. To understand what is being done to reduce drug related litter elsewhere.</p> <p>e. To identify what additional initiatives could work in the city to reduce drug related litter.</p>
5.	The Scrutiny Inquiry Panel undertook the inquiry over 3 evidence gathering meetings and received information from a wide variety of organisations. This included Hampshire Constabulary, health professionals, street cleansing managers, charitable and voluntary organisations, commissioners, experts in harm reduction and residents concerned about drug litter.
6.	A draft final report of the Inquiry is attached as Appendix 1 and is to be considered by the Scrutiny Inquiry Panel on 8 th March 2018. Subject to the deliberations at the 8 March Inquiry Panel meeting, this Committee needs to consider whether the report adequately responds to the inquiry objectives outlined in the Terms of Reference shown within the attached report.
7.	The OSMC procedure rules within the constitution require that within two months of the date of this committee approving a final inquiry report, the Executive will consider the report and submit a formal response to the recommendations contained within them. If, subject to the deliberations of the Scrutiny Inquiry Panel on 8 th March, this Committee is therefore minded to accept the final version of the report, then the document will be forwarded to the Executive on 17 th April 2018 for further action.
RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Capital/Revenue/Property/Other</u>	
8.	In practice any future resource implication arising from this review will be dependent upon whether, and how, each individual recommendation within the inquiry report is progressed by the Executive. More detailed work will need to be undertaken by the Executive in considering its response to each of the recommendations set out in the report.
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:</u>	
9.	The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Part 1A Section 9 of the Local Government Act 2000.
<u>Other Legal Implications:</u>	
10.	None
RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS	
11.	None.
POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS	
12.	None
KEY DECISION	No
WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	None directly as a result of this report
<u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</u>	

Appendices		
1.	Reducing Drug Related Litter in Southampton – Draft Final Report	
Documents In Members' Rooms		
1.	None	
Equality Impact Assessment		
Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessments (ESIA) to be carried out.		No
Privacy Impact Assessment		
Do the implications/subject of the report require a Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) to be carried out.		No
Other Background Documents		
Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:		
Title of Background Paper(s)	Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)	
1.	None	