

<b>DECISION-MAKER:</b>	CABINET		
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	SCRUTINY INQUIRY PANEL – REDUCING DRUG RELATED LITTER IN SOUTHAMPTON FINAL REPORT		
<b>DATE OF DECISION:</b>	17 APRIL 2018		
<b>REPORT OF:</b>	CHAIR OF SCRUTINY INQUIRY PANEL		
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<b>STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY</b>	
None	
<b>BRIEF SUMMARY</b>	
<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 final report, attached as Appendix 1, contains a number of recommendations. Cabinet needs to formally respond to these recommendations, summarised in Appendix 2, within two months to meet the requirements in the Council's constitution.</p>	
<b>RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>	
	<p>(i) Cabinet is recommended to receive the attached Scrutiny Inquiry Panel report to enable the Executive to formulate its response to the recommendations contained within it, in order to comply with the requirements set out in the Council's Constitution.</p>
<b>REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	
1.	The overview and scrutiny procedure rules in part 4 of the Council's Constitution requires the Executive to consider all inquiry reports that have been endorsed by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee (OSMC), and to submit a formal response to the recommendations contained within them within two months of their receipt.
<b>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</b>	
2.	None.
<b>DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)</b>	
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"> <li>• To understand the prevalence and impact of drug related litter in Southampton.</li> <li>• To understand the reasons for the prevalence of drug related litter.</li> <li>• To review progress being made in Southampton to tackle drug related litter.</li> <li>• To understand what is being done to reduce drug related litter elsewhere.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To identify what additional initiatives could work in the city to reduce drug related litter.</li> </ul>
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.	The final report, attached as Appendix1, was considered and endorsed by the OSMC on 15 March 2018. The report contains 7 recommendations in total which, if implemented, the Panel believe will help to reduce incidence of drug litter in Southampton. The conclusions and recommendations are summarised in Appendix 2.
7.	The Executive needs to consider the inquiry recommendations and to formally respond within two months of the date of receiving this report in order to meet the requirements set out in the Council's constitution.
<b>RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b>	
<b><u>Capital/Revenue/Property/Other</u></b>	
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.
<b>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS</b>	
<b><u>Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:</u></b>	
9.	The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Part 1A Section 9 of the Local Government Act 2000.
<b><u>Other Legal Implications:</u></b>	
10.	None
<b>RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS</b>	
11.	None.
<b>POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS</b>	
12.	The proposals contained within the appended report are in accordance with the Council's Policy Framework.

<b>KEY DECISION?</b>	No
<b>WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:</b>	None directly as a result of this report
<b><u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</u></b>	
<b>Appendices</b>	
1.	Reducing Drug Related Litter in Southampton Inquiry – Final Report
2.	Reducing Drug Related Litter in Southampton Inquiry – Summary of conclusions and recommendations

<b>Documents In Members' Rooms</b>	
1.	None
<b>Equality Impact Assessment</b>	
Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessments (ESIA) to be carried out.	No
<b>Data Protection Impact Assessment</b>	
Do the implications/subject of the report require a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) to be carried out.	No
<b>Other Background Documents</b>	
<b>Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:</b>	
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