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## Agenda Item Introduction

Committee CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date 12 MARCH 2024

Topic SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT

## **Background**

- 1. An item comes annually to Corporate Scrutiny to review the work of all the scrutiny committees over the previous year. This provides the opportunity of highlighting the issues dealt with by scrutiny and helps demonstrate the role that it can play in the Council's democratic processes.
- 2. The scrutiny function must continually evolve to ensure the structure provides the right framework to deliver the best value and outcomes. Improving the ability to identify where there can be an impact and ensuring any work is useful, timely and aligned with council priorities and the agreed focus.
- 3. Better informed decision making will almost always be the outcome of a well set up scrutiny process, and better-informed decision making will lead to improved outcomes for the Isle of Wight and its residents.

## **Focus for Scrutiny**

- What has worked well for scrutiny this year?
- How can the scrutiny process be improved?
- How can engagement in the development of scrutiny workplans from all members, officers and the public be encouraged?
- How can public attendance at committee meetings be improved?

## Document(s) Attached

4. Appendix 1 – Scrutiny Annual Report 2023

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