Report of the Chairman on the work of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

This report gives an overview of the issues considered at the 29 November 2016 meeting.

1. Review of Taxi Licensing

1.1 The Committee noted a report on taxi licensing and discussed relevant issues with representatives of the taxi trade who were present at the meeting. The Committee asked officers whether there was scope to ease pressure on the Gresham Road taxi rank by opening up ranks elsewhere in the Borough primarily at railway stations, providing drivers with other opportunities of picking up a fare. The Committee noted officers' agreement to research rank locations over the next few months but also took on board the comments of the taxi drivers and agreed to set up a Task Group to review the provision of taxi ranks in the Borough. The Committee agreed with my suggestion that the taxi drivers present attended the Task Group to assist and feed in their comments.

2. Financial Reports

2.1 The Committee noted two financial reports setting out the current spend position for both revenue and capital to the end of September 2016.

Councillor Colin Davis

Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

22 December 2016