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To: Overview and Scrutiny Committee
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Title: Corporate Peer Challenge Feedback and Next Steps

Summary:

The LGA delivered a Corporate Peer Challenge on behalf of Selby DC in November 2017. We have now received the final Feedback Report. The Feedback Report contains a number of recommendations for how we could improve.

We have committed to use the Peer Challenge as a tool for improvement and have developed an Improvement Plan in response to the findings and recommendations of the LGA team.

On 1 February 2018 the Executive approved the Improvement Plan subject to any comments made by full Council. The report and the Improvement Plan considered by Council on 22 February 2018 are attached to this report at Appendices 1, 2 and 3.

Recommendation:

Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider the contents of the report and make any comments on the Corporate Peer Challenge, with a particular focus on the Peer Review's recommendations around strengthening and improving scrutiny at Selby District Council.

Reasons for recommendation

The Committee is asked to consider the information as set out in the report as part of their role in reviewing and scrutinising the performance of the Council in relation to its policy objectives, performance targets and/or particular service areas. The report enables the Committee to consider the findings of the Corporate Peer Review and the subsequent recommendations, particularly around strengthening scrutiny at the authority.

1. Introduction and background

- 1.1 For the detailed information regarding the Corporate Peer Challenge please see section 1 of the report considered by the Council on 22 February 2018 attached at Appendix 1 to this report.

2 The Report

- 2.1 For the detailed information regarding the Corporate Peer Challenge please see section 2 of the report considered by the Council on 22 February 2018 attached at Appendix 1 to this report.

3 Legal/Financial Controls and other Policy matters, including Impact Assessment

- 3.4 None.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 The Scrutiny Committee discharges the Council's statutory overview and scrutiny functions and as such has responsibility for reviewing the Council's performance in a number of areas. The Committee's comments and observations on the Corporate Peer Challenge are welcomed, particularly on the recommendations around strengthening scrutiny at the Council.

5. Background Documents

None.

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Appendices

Appendix 1 - Report to Council 22 February 2018
Appendix 2 – Corporate Peer Challenge Feedback Report
Appendix 3 – Improvement Plan