ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL Scrutiny Report Template

Committee:	Corporate Scrutiny Committee
	Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee
Date:	3 rd June, 2019
	13 th June, 2019
Subject:	Membership of the Finance Scrutiny Panel
Purpose of Report:	Review membership of the Finance Scrutiny Panel
Scrutiny Chair:	Cllr Aled Morris Jones
	Cllr Gwilym Owen Jones
Portfolio Holder(s):	Cllr Robin Williams
Head of Service:	Not applicable
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Local Members:	Not applicable

1 - Recommendation/s

R1 Both Scrutiny Committees are requested to nominate 1 additional Member to serve on the Finance Scrutiny Panel

2 – Link to Council Plan / Other Corporate Priorities

3 – Guiding Principles for Scrutiny Members

To assist Members when scrutinising the topic:-

3.1 Impact the matter has on individuals and communities [focus on customer/citizen]

3.2 A look at the efficiency & effectiveness of any proposed change – both financially and in terms of quality **[focus on value]**

3.3 A look at any risks [focus on risk]

3.4 Scrutiny taking a performance monitoring or quality assurance role [focus on performance & quality]

3.5 Looking at plans and proposals from a perspective of:

- Long term
- Prevention
- Integration
- Collaboration
- Involvement

[focus on wellbeing]

4 - Key Scrutiny Questions

Not applicable.

5 – Background / Context

1. Background

Members will be aware that the Finance Scrutiny Panel was established after the last local government election¹ as a sub-panel of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee, with the following objectives:

- Develop a model of working on finance matters focusing on a smaller group to enable Members to become more involved, develop a level of expertise, encourage good attendance and teamwork
- Forum to discuss information regarding the Council's financial risks, as a basis to inform the forward work programme of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee
- To free up space on the agenda of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee meetings in order to ensure scrutiny of transformational and strategic matters
- Forum to develop a group of members with the expertise and ownership to lead financial discussions in the Corporate Scrutiny Committee

2. Current Membership

The Panel's current membership comprises of 2 Members from both scrutiny committees, as follows:

- i. Representing the Corporate Scrutiny Committee
 - Cllr Aled Morris Jones
 - Cllr Dylan Rees
- ii. Representing the Partnership & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee
 - Cllr Dafydd Roberts (Panel chair)
 - Cllr Alun Roberts

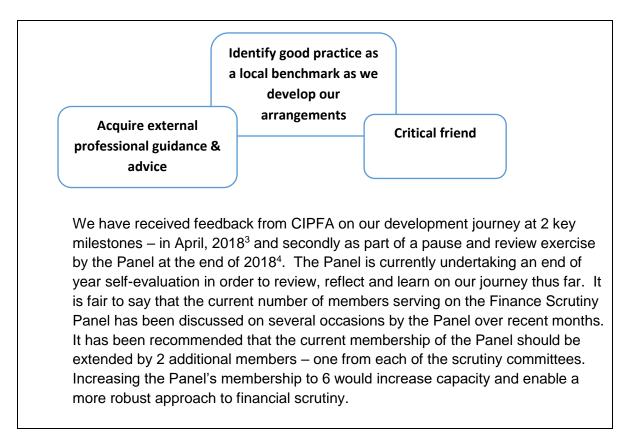
3. Proposal to increase Panel membership

3.1 Since the local government elections in 2017, the Council has been working hard to introduce a more rigorous approach to member led forms of accountability through a revised scrutiny structure. As part of this structure, Members continue to invest in and actively contribute to scrutiny through the work of our 3 standing panels². The Finance Scrutiny Panel is no exception

3.2 **Self-evaluation and review of progress** We have been working alongside CIPFA Wales in developing our financial scrutiny model with the following objectives in mind:

¹ Local Government Elections May, 2017

² Children's Services Improvement Panel, Schools Progress Review Scrutiny Panel, Finance Scrutiny Committee



6 – Equality Impact Assessment [including impacts on the Welsh Language] Not applicable

7 – Financial Implications

Not applicable

8 – Appendices:

9 - Background papers (please contact the author of the Report for any further information):

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Cllr Dafydd Roberts Chair of the Finance Scrutiny Panel Date: 17/05/19

³ In April, 2018 during preparation of the 2017/18 Annual Scrutiny Report

⁴ As part of a pause and review exercise by the Panel at the end of 2018