

# Article 6 – Council Committee Structure

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## Scrutiny committees

Scrutiny is a statutory role fulfilled by Councillors who are not members of the Cabinet.

The role of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees is to help develop policy, to carry out reviews of Council and other local services, and to hold decision makers to account for their actions and decisions.

The Council has established three scrutiny committees:

- The Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- The Children and Young People's Scrutiny Committee
- The Health Scrutiny Committee

The Council is also a member of several joint scrutiny committees. Their remit is set out in Part 3 of the Constitution.

## The Audit Committee

The Audit Committee is responsible for proving assurance on the Council's audit, governance (including risk management and information governance) and financial processes in accordance with the functions scheme. The Audit Committee will appoint an Independent Person.

## The Standards Committee

The Standards Committee is responsible for promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct by Councillors, co-opted members and church and parent governor representatives in accordance with the functions scheme. The Standards Committee will appoint up to three independent persons.

- **Standards Hearings Panel - Sub Committee**

The Standards Committee will set up a sub-committee called the Standards Hearings Panel. The Independent Person is invited to attend all meetings of the Hearing Panel. The Panel will consider complaints under the code of conduct that cannot be resolved informally.

## The Radcliffe Cabinet Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to provide executive political leadership for the delivery of the Strategic Regeneration Framework. It also will provide a forum for crossparty engagement.

# Planning, Licensing and other functions

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## Planning Control Committee

The committee determines applications for planning and listed building consents which are not decided by an officer.

## The Licensing and Safety Committee

The committee fulfils the council's licensing duties not undertaken by an officer as set out in the functions scheme at part 3 section 6.

The committee may establish one or more sub-committees consisting of three members of the licensing and safety committee to fulfil functions delegated to the licensing hearings panel as set out in the functions scheme at part 3 section 6.

- **Licensing Hearings Panel**

The Licensing Hearings Panel fulfils the council's licensing duties not undertaken by an officer as set out in the functions scheme at part 3.

## Health and Wellbeing Board

The board will carry out the statutory functions as required by the Health and Social Care Act 2012, and any other functions delegated to it, as set out in part 3 of the constitution.

## Employment Panel

The Employment Panel is responsible for the employment functions as set out in the Officer Employment Procedure Rules including acting as the Investigating and Disciplinary Committee in relation to the statutory officers of the Council and other related functions including Appeals against dismissal and grievances by employees of the Council and applications for premature retirement.

## Corporate Parenting Board

To oversee the council's and partner agencies responsibilities towards all children and young persons in care and care leavers and how their life chances can be improved.

## Corporate Joint Consultative Committee

To establish a regular method of consultation and negotiation between the Council and the Trade Unions regarding Conditions of Employment and their application, always providing that no questions relating to an individual employee or to discipline shall be within the scope of the Committee

## Joint Consultative Committee Teachers

To provide a regular basis for representatives of the recognised Teachers' Associations to meet with members of the Local Education Authority.

The membership and composition off the Committees is set out in Parts 3 and Part 7 of the Constitution.