

## ***Report to Council***

***Date of meeting: 18 December 2012***

**Subject: Overview and Scrutiny report to Council – November 2012**



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### **Recommendation:**

**That the Overview and Scrutiny progress report from November 2012 to the present be noted.**

### **Overview and Scrutiny Committee Meeting – 27 November 2012**

1. At our meeting on Tuesday, 27 November 2012 we received four members of the Epping Forest Youth Council who had come to give a presentation on the work they had undertaken over the past year and update us on the work planned for the year ahead. They were also there to request their annual bid for a £12,000 DDF funding in the Council's draft budget for 2013-14.
2. The Committee were very impressed with their presentation and what they had to say about the work they had carried out, the training they undertook, the volunteer initiatives for 2013-14 and the clear and concise way they answered our questions.
3. The Youth Councillors asked that the Committee recommend to the Cabinet to approve a DDF bid for £12,000 funding in the Council's draft budget for 2013-14.
4. However, we formally recommended to the Cabinet that from next year, the 2013/14 financial year, this bid be transferred to the Continuing Service Budget so that the Youth Council need not make an annual bid from the District Development Fund.
5. Despite this, we would still like them to attend our Committee on an annual basis to update us on their work and achievements.
6. We also noted the progress made in relation to the achievement of the Council's Key objectives for 2012-13 for the first six months of the year and reviewed the work programmes for all the Standing and Task and Finish Panels for the first six months of this municipal year.