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REPORT TO:	ELDC Overview Committee BBC Corporate and Community Committee
DATE:	Overview Committee 13 th July / Corporate and Community Scrutiny Committee 6 th July
SUBJECT:	SCRUTINY PANEL TOPIC – Scrutiny of the Strategic Alliance
KEY DECISION:	NO
PORTFOLIO HOLDER:	N/A
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WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL
EXEMPT REPORT?	NO

SUMMARY

When the Strategic Alliance was formed it was agreed there would be joint scrutiny of the alliance and this report brings forward the proposed scope of that scrutiny and the approach it would take.

This report is going to both ELDC's Overview Committee and BBC's Corporate and Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee for sign off.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- That the scope at Appendix A is agreed to enable the scrutiny exercise to commence.
- That the framework for joint scrutiny at Appendix B is agreed.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

To enable scrutiny to commence in line with the agreement by both Councils upon forming the alliance.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

None

REPORT

1. This report brings forward the Councils' first joint scrutiny exercise.
2. When the Councils agreed to form an alliance in June 2020, a commitment was given to undertake scrutiny in regard to the alliance and merged workforce.
3. A scope to frame the scrutiny and lines of enquiry is attached at Appendix A; alongside, at Appendix B, a framework for how joint scrutiny would be undertaken.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

None

CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

None

EQUALITY AND SAFEGUARDING IMPLICATIONS

None

OTHER IMPLICATIONS

None

CONSULTATION

N/a

APPENDICES

Appendices are listed below and attached to the back of the report: -

Appendix A	Alliance Scrutiny scoping document
Appendix B	Framework for the scrutiny to take place

BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers as defined in Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the production of this report.

CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF THIS REPORT

A report on this item has not been previously considered by a Council body.

REPORT APPROVAL

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