

Report to Cabinet

Subject: Housing and Council Tax and GTP Review Scrutiny reports

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1. Purpose of the Report

To inform Cabinet members and relevant Portfolio Holders of the findings and recommendations of the Housing and Council Tax Policy and GTP Scrutiny Review working groups.

2. Background

Members are reminded that part of the remit of Scrutiny is to deal with wider service or policy issues through the establishment of working groups, which take an in depth view of Council policies and plans as directed by the Overarching Scrutiny Committee, and make recommendations to Cabinet accordingly. In accordance with the Scrutiny Improvement Plan 2010, a review is commissioned when:

- There is added value that this work will bring to the core priorities of the Council
- It is likely to make a difference if a working group undertake this work
- It is likely to lead to improved performance
- It is likely that the working group's recommendations will improve the lives of the residents of Gedling Borough
- It will increase Member awareness of important issues

3. Proposals

Members are asked to consider the reports and recommendations of the Housing and Council Tax and GTP reviews, which have previously been reported to the Policy and Performance Scrutiny Committees and approved by the Overarching Scrutiny Committee for referral to Cabinet.

4. Recommendations

That Cabinet review the recommendations made and the Portfolio Holders for Finance and Customer and Member Services respond to the reports to the Overarching Scrutiny Committee.

5. Appendices

Appendix 1: Housing and Council Tax Policy Scrutiny Report **Appendix 2:** GTP Review Policy and Performance Scrutiny report

Please note that individual appendices to the reports are not included, however can be viewed on the Council website under Committee Agendas and Minutes/ Overarching Scrutiny Committee 22nd June.