1. SUMMARY

1.1 The status of on-going Scrutiny Panels will be reported to every meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee (OSMC) as a standing item.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 All proposals (i.e. remit and terms of reference) put forward by Scrutiny Sub Committee for the establishment of time limited Scrutiny Panels are considered by and subject to the approval of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee. If the establishment of a Scrutiny Panel is approved, the OSMC will also determine the number of Members to serve on the Scrutiny Panel.

2.2 Any prospective additional co-option to a Scrutiny Panel i.e. expert witnesses / external stakeholders etc, is left to the discretion of the Scrutiny Panel membership. OSMC may also identify and approve the formation of Scrutiny Panels directly.

3. STATUS OF CURRENT SCRUTINY PANELS

3.1 The following Scrutiny Panels have been approved / are in progress:

3.2 Public Health Funding Allocation Scrutiny Panel

3.3 The Public Health Funding Allocation Scrutiny Panel was agreed by OSMC on 15th March 2012, with a membership of three Members across the three Groups (Councillor Lewis, Councillor Phillips, Councillor Sweden). The Scrutiny Panel has convened three times to date and has identified the need for a further two to three meetings. The intention is to conclude this review with a final report by the end of June 2012.

3.4 Fostering & Adoption Scrutiny Panel

3.5 The Fostering & Adoption Scrutiny Panel was agreed by OSMC on 15th March 2012, with a membership of six Members across the three Groups (2-2-2). Group nominations for this Scrutiny Panel have yet to be completed.