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## REPORT OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

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### MEETING HELD ON 8 JULY 2008

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Chairman: \* Councillor Stanley Sheinwald

Councillors \* Mrs Margaret Davine \* Phillip O'Dell (2)  
: \* B E Gate \* Anthony Seymour  
\* Mitzi Green \* Dinesh Solanki  
\* Manji Kara \* Yogesh Teli  
\* Mrs Vina Mithani \* Mark Versallion  
\* Janet Mote

Voting (Voluntary Aided) (Parent Governors)  
Co-opted: † Mrs J Rammelt \* Mr R Chauhan  
† Reverend P Reece \* Mrs D Speel

\* Denotes Member present

(2) Denotes category of Reserve Members

† Denotes apologies received

[Note: Councillor Barry Macleod-Cullinane, Portfolio Holder for Adults and Housing, also attended this meeting to speak on the item indicated at Minute 347 below. Councillor Jean Lammiman also attended the meeting in her capacity as Assistant (Support Member) to the Portfolio Holder for Adults and Housing].

### **PART I - RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **RECOMMENDATION I - Scrutiny Annual Report 2007/08**

The Committee considered its Annual Report 2007/08, which outlined the activities of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Performance and Finance and Call-In Sub-Committees over the past year following changes to its structure. The Annual Report also detailed the activities of the Lead Members for Scrutiny, outlined the outcomes of individual projects that had been undertaken and included the results from the annual scrutiny survey.

The Annual Report set out the achievements made and the work carried out by scrutiny Members and voting co-opted members, including advisors, whose contributions in raising the profile of scrutiny in Harrow was welcomed. Scrutiny welcomed the opportunity for closer working with the Council's partners, local residents, the Executive and appropriate organisations with a view to working towards delivering the Council's ambition to be one of the best in London by 2012.

The Chairman thanked Members and officers for their work on the Annual Report and for scrutinising challenging issues.

Having endorsed the Annual Report 2007/08, and in order to meet its obligations under the Council's Constitution to report annually on the work of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, the Committee

#### **Resolved to RECOMMEND: (to Council)**

That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's Annual Report for 2007/08, be adopted.

(See also Minute 353)