WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL	**Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 27 September 2016**	**Agenda Item No. 9**

Title	Comments from the Executive
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Service Area	Democratic Services
Wards of the District directly affected	N/A
Is the report private and confidential and not for publication by virtue of a paragraph of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006	No
Date and meeting when issue was last considered and relevant minute number	26 July 2016
Background Papers	Executive Minutes – 27 July 2016

Contrary to the policy framework:	No
Contrary to the budgetary framework:	No
Key Decision?	No
Included within the Forward Plan? (If yes include reference number)	No

Officer/Councillor Approval

With regard to officer approval all reports *must* be approved by the report authors relevant director, Finance, Legal Services and the relevant Portfolio Holder(s).

	Date	**Name**
Relevant Director		
Chief Executive		
CMT		
Section 151 Officer		
Legal		
Finance		
Portfolio Holders		

Consultation Undertaken

N/A

Final Decision?	Yes

Suggested next steps (if not final decision please set out below)

1. Summary

1.1 This report informs the Committee of the response the Executive gave to their comments regarding the reports submitted to the Executive in July 2016.

2. Recommendation

2.1 The responses made by the Executive are noted.

3. Reasons for the Recommendation

3.1 This report is produced to create a dialogue between the Executive and the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. It ensures that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee are formally made aware of the Executive's responses.

3.2 Where the Overview & Scrutiny Committee have made a recommendation as opposed to a comment the Executive are required to respond to the recommendation(s) made, including whether or not they accept the recommendation(s).

4. Alternative Option considered

4.1 This report is not produced and presented to the Committee.

5. Budgetary Framework

5.1 All work for the Committee has to be carried out within existing resources.

6. Policy Framework

6.1 The work carried out by the Committee helps the Council to improve in line with its priority to manage services openly efficiently and effectively.

7. Background

7.1 As part of the new scrutiny process, the Committee is no longer considering the whole of the Executive agenda.

7.2 On the day of publication of the Executive agenda all Councillors are sent an e-mail asking them to contact Committee Services, by 09.00am on the day of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting to advise which Executive items they would like the Committee to consider.

7.3 As a result the Committee considered the items detailed in appendix 1. The response the Executive gave on each item is also shown.

7.4 In reviewing these responses Committee can identify any issues for which they would like a progress report. A future report, for example on how the decision has been implemented, would then be submitted to the Committee at an agreed date which would then be incorporated within the work programme.

Response from the meetings of the Executive on Overview and Scrutiny Committee Comments 27 July 2016

Items no.	8	**Title**	Review of Warwick District Members' Allowances Scheme	**Requested by**	Labour Group
Reason considered	Members wished to understand the rationale for some of the recommendations, other possible options and how the review would be conducted.				
Scrutiny Comment	The Overview & Scrutiny Committee noted the report.				
Executive Response	The recommendations in the report were approved subject to the following: (a) The Chairman of the Review Panel is asked to appoint three former Councillors to the review panel and not one; (b) All members should be sent the timetable for the review once it is finalised with the panel; (c) All members should be encouraged to submit their views on the allowances scheme; (d) A brief guide to the allowances regulations should be sent to all Councillors explaining what can and cannot be included, for example the legalities of an attendance allowance; and (e) The Review Panel is asked to consider the specific nature of the carer's allowance and if the requirement for professional carers can be removed.				