

ANGUS COUNCIL

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PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE REMIT OF THE SCRUTINY AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

REPORT BY SHEONA C HUNTER, HEAD OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

ABSTRACT

This report proposes changes to the remit of the Scrutiny and Audit Committee to now include the scrutiny of Angus Alive and Angus Health and Social Care Integrated Joint Board.

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Council:

- (i) approves the proposed changes to the remit of the Scrutiny and Audit Committee; and
- (ii) authorises the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to make the consequential changes to the Order of Reference of Committees.

2. ALIGNMENT TO THE ANGUS COMMUNITY PLAN/SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT/CORPORATE PLAN

This report contributes to the following local outcome(s) contained within the Angus Community Plan and Single Outcome Agreement 2013-2016:

- 5. Individuals are involved in decisions which affect them.

3. BACKGROUND

Reference is made to Article 4 of the minute of meeting of the Scrutiny and Audit Committee of 22 June 2017:-

“Having heard from the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, the Committee agreed that the remit (of the Scrutiny and Audit Committee) should be amended to include the scrutiny of Angus Alive and Angus Health and Social Care Integration Joint Board; and that a report proposing the amendment to the remit as contained within the Council’s Standing Orders would require to be submitted to the next available meeting of Angus Council”

In terms of Standing Orders, any proposed changes to the Order of Reference of Committees are required to be submitted to full Council for consideration and this Report fulfils that requirement.

4. CURRENT POSITION

The Order of Reference of the Scrutiny and Audit Committee has been in place since 2012 which pre dates the establishment of both Angus Alive and Angus Health and Social Care Integrated Joint Board (IJB)

Angus Health and Social Care Integration Joint Board

The Public Bodies (Joint Working)(Scotland) Act 2014 (“the 2014 Act”) provided the legal framework to pave the way for the Integration of Health and Social Care in Scotland. In this context, Angus Integration Joint Board was legally constituted in law by Order of the Scottish Ministers. In terms of the 2014 Act, the Integration Start Date was identified as 1 April 2016.

Angus Council and NHS Tayside are legally required, both in terms of the 2014 Act and the Integration Scheme between Angus Council and NHS Tayside to delegate functions to the Board.

In the case of Angus Council these functions are set out in the Schedule to The Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Prescribed Local Authority Functions etc.)(Scotland) Regulations 2014.

The Council has entered into a legally binding Integration Scheme with NHS Tayside in relation to the IJB. If there is a breach of the Integration Scheme by NHS Tayside then it is the Council, and not the IJB, that can action that breach

Angus Alive

Angus Alive is a Culture and Leisure Trust that delivers culture, leisure and customer services on behalf of Angus Council. The Board of Trustees is made up of nine individuals, four being appointed from Angus Council. The Trust is run as a wholly separate entity from the Council with its own governance structure.

5. PROPOSALS

It is proposed that the following be added to the remit of the Scrutiny and Audit Committee:-

“22. To consider the progress of the Integration Joint Board in the delivery of the Strategic Plan biannually”

“23. Without prejudice to the duties and responsibilities of the Communities Committee, to have oversight of the contract for the delivery of services by Angus Alive”

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications as a result of this Report.

NOTE: No background papers, as detailed by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to a material extent in preparing the above report.

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