

# ANGUS COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE TOWN AND COUNTY HALL, FORFAR  
ON THURSDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 2.00PM

## AGENDA

### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are reminded that, in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct, it is their responsibility to make decisions about whether to declare an interest in any item on this agenda and whether to take part in any discussion or voting. Completed Declarations of Interest forms should be forwarded to Democratic Services.

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### 3. MINUTES OF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEES

#### (i) Minute of Council Meeting

Submit for approval as a correct record, the minute of meeting of:

- (a) Angus Council of 14 June 2018 7-12

With reference to Article 4 of the minute, the Council is asked to note that Councillor Lawrie is to be the Spokesperson for Young People.

#### (ii) Minutes of Committees

Submit, for information, minutes of the following meetings:

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| (b) | Development Management Review Committee of 6 June 2018   | 13    |
| (c) | (Special) Civic Licensing Committee of 11 June 2018      | 14-16 |
| (d) | Scrutiny and Audit Committee of 19 June 2018             | 17-22 |
| (e) | (Special) Policy and Resources Committee of 19 June 2018 | 23-25 |
| (f) | (Special) Civic Licensing Committee of 2 July 2018       | 26    |
| (g) | Developments Standards Committee of 7 August 2018        | 27-31 |
| (h) | Civic Licensing Committee of 9 August 2018               | 32-33 |
| (i) | Communities Committee of 14 August 2018                  | 34-36 |
| (j) | Children and Learning Committee of 16 August 2018        | 37-38 |
| (k) | Scrutiny and Audit Committee of 21 August 2018           | 39-46 |
| (l) | Policy and Resources Committee of 28 August 2018         | 47-50 |

### 4. MOTIONS IN TERMS OF STANDING ORDER 25(1)

#### (i) Poppyscotland's Count them In Campaign

The Provost has submitted the following motion:

"This Council supports Poppyscotland's Count Them In campaign which aims to see the inclusion of an Armed Forces question in the next Census in 2021. Notes that there is currently very limited information about where our veterans now live and what support they may need. Believes that gathering this information through the Census will allow for an improved understanding of this unique community so that the Council, alongside others, can ensure we are fully meeting the needs of our serving personnel, veterans and their families. Instructs the Chief Executive to write to Poppyscotland, the constituency and regional MSPs to inform them of Angus Council's support."

**(ii) The 147<sup>th</sup> Open Championship**

Councillor Cheape has submitted the following motion:

“This Council recognises the huge success of the 147<sup>th</sup> Open Championship held in Carnoustie from 19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2018. It acknowledges the successful working relationship between Carnoustie Golf Links Management Ltd, the R & A and representatives of Angus Council itself. In particular it acknowledges the hard work and talents of the Carnoustie Golf Links green keeping staff in preparing the Championship Course for its place on the world stage. In addition we acknowledge the significant contribution made to the success of the event by local businesses and residents of the town of Carnoustie in welcoming record numbers of visitors to the town and to The Open itself.

We look forward to Carnoustie playing host to many more world class golf tournaments and, in so doing, expanding its reputation as a market leader for golf tourism. In particular we look forward to the return of The Open Championship to Carnoustie at the earliest opportunity.”

This Council requests the Chief Executive write to both the Chief Executive of the R&A and CGLMC intimating the terms of this motion.

**(iii) Interreg Funding Programme**

Councillor Lawrie has submitted the following motion:

“This Council notes:

- Interreg is the main EU funding programme which facilitates the exchange of expertise and information between local authorities across the EU and participating third countries, allowing local authorities to research best practice, pilot new approaches and implement new policies.
- The European Commission has invited the United Kingdom to participate in the Interreg programme as a non-EU country, as Norway and Switzerland do, via article 5 of its recently published regulation on *Specific provisions for the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg)*.
- In its recently published White Paper on *The future relationship between the United Kingdom and the European Union*, the UK government confirmed it is open to participating in EU funding programmes which facilitate the exchange of expertise and information.
- In the current funding period (since 2014) there have been 112 approved projects in Scotland, with a total ERDF grant value of €57,914,558.
- Angus Council is a partner in the LIKE! project which aims to support and develop digital innovation in the public sector, and with an ERDF grant value of €266,500. Some of the activities being delivered by Angus include community engagement in Arbroath, the delivery of extended participatory budgeting pilot work in Brechin and Montrose, and the hosting of the recent LIKE! mid-term conference in Carnoustie.

This Council calls for:

- The Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union to highlight the importance of the Interreg programme for Angus and Scottish local authorities in general, and ask the UK Government to continue participation in this programme after the UK has left the EU.

**(iv) Timing of Council Meetings**

Councillor Davy has submitted the following motion:

“That this Council notes in the review of councillor remuneration in 2008, 2009, and 2010 that a basic councillor salary ‘continues to be based on the principle that council duties should not preclude councillors, without any significant additional responsibilities, from combining their council role with other responsibilities such as employment, volunteering, caring etc’ [Source 3.5 <https://www.gov.scot/Publications/2011/03/02152201/4>] and is therefore based on the premise that a councillors work is part time.

This motion seeks to expand the opportunities for all who wish to engage with the council, both councillors, and members of the public, who may struggle to attend meetings held during the day. This motion also notes that Angus Council aims to become more diverse and representative of the Angus we represent, and council meetings held exclusively during the working day may also deter individuals from standing for council in the first instance.

The motion will move meetings of Angus Council, Children & Learning, Communities, Policy & Resources, and Scrutiny & Audit committees to 5pm from 1 January 2019 to allow members of the public who work to attend, and current and future councillors to combine their other responsibilities with that of being a councillor.

The motion notes that meetings of Development Management Review, Development Standards, and Civic Licensing would continue to be held at their 10am and 2pm times.

The motion would therefore create a breadth of council meeting times, 10am, 2pm, and 5pm which will create a more accessible, and supportive committee meeting structure.”

**(v) Flying of Red Ensign at Angus Council Buildings**

The Provost has submitted the following motion:

“I move that the Red Ensign commonly known as the Red Duster be flown simultaneously in the main mercantile burghs of Angus namely Arbroath at the Bell Tower and Montrose at the Ball House from Dawn to Sunset on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September from now and henceforth in perpetuity. The Red Ensign is to be flown in place of the Saltire the National Flag of Scotland at the aforesaid Locations, during the aforesaid date and times.

The Flying of the flags is to commemorate those men and women who lost their lives whilst serving in the Mercantile Marine in both World Wars and subsequent conflicts to the present day and also those of the Mercantile Marine who have lost their lives whilst at sea.

The Mercantile Marine is the county’s “Fourth Service” which without its sacrifice our country would have had great difficulty in surviving in the past and we still rely on its men and women to enable us to provide us with the goods from other parts of the world which we take for granted today and export goods from our country”.

**(vi) Seasonal Agricultural Scheme**

Councillor Devine has submitted the following motion:

Council expresses its deep concern at the workforce shortages facing many farms in Angus due to the discontinuation of the Seasonal Agricultural Scheme (SAWS) in 2013, and also the fall in the value of Sterling following the Brexit vote. The shortage of pickers from the EU has resulted in fruit and vegetables left to rot in the fields with a significant economic impact.

Council asks the Chief Executive to write to the appropriate UK Ministers to express concern about this and also to urge Ministers to urgently agree a new version of the Seasonal Agricultural Workers Scheme.”

**(vii) Review of Winter Service Policy and Provision**

Councillor Salmond has submitted the following motion:

1. This Council instructs the Strategic Director - Place to carry out a Review of the Winter Service Policy & Provision 2018/2019 to create a more equitable policy of pavement gritting between our burgh towns and villages which re-introduces by 2018/2019 pavement gritting into all Angus Villages, which were previously receiving this provision;
2. The New Policy will be created within the existing budget of £2,613,000 and will be cost neutral;
3. Ensures that consultation is always carried out with our Local Communities and Community Planning Partners when re-designing Angus Council's Winter Service Policy and Provision and that the results of the consultation are included in all Budget and Committee Papers; and
4. Brings back a Report to the Special Council Meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> Sept 2018 for Council's agreement.

**5. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES**

**(i) Children and Learning Committee**

The Council is asked to note that in terms of political balance the Children and Learning Committee has one member extra from the Administration. Accordingly, Cllr Salmond has intimated that he will not continue as a member of the Committee.

The Council is asked to appoint a non Administration member to the Committee.

**(ii) Policy and Resources Committee**

The Council is asked to note that in terms of political balance there should only be one independent Councillor on the Committee.

Accordingly the Council is required to rectify this position and replace one of the independent Councillors with a member from the Administration.

The Council is also asked to note that Councillor Lawrie is to replace Councillor Moore on the Committee.

**(iii) Scrutiny and Audit Committee**

The Council is asked to note that Cllr Myles will replace Cllr Fairweather as a member of the Scrutiny and Audit Committee (Standing Orders preclude the Leader and Depute Leader of the Council from being members of the Committee.)

**6. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

**(i) ANGUSAlive**

The Council is asked to note that Councillors Davy and Cheape have resigned as members of the Board of ANGUSAlive. Accordingly the Council is asked to fill the vacancies.

**(ii) Monifieth Golf Links Ltd**

The Council is asked to note that Councillor Whiteside has resigned from Monifieth Golf Links Ltd. Accordingly the Council is asked to fill this vacancy.

**(iii) Angus Health and Social Care Integration Joint Board**

The Council is asked to note that Councillor Wann has resigned from the IJB. Accordingly the Council is asked to fill the vacancy.

**7. INFORMATION REPORT**

Submit Report No 259/18 by the Chief Executive 51-64

**8. ANGUS COUNCIL PLAN ANNUAL REPORT 2017 - 2018**

Submit Report No 260/18 by the Chief Executive 65-132

**9. ANGUS LOCAL OUTCOME IMPROVEMENT PLAN ANNUAL REPORT 2017 - 2018**

Submit Report No 261/18 by the Chief Executive. 133-153

**10. PREPARATION OF THE 2019/2020 GENERAL FUND REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS**

Submit Report No 262/18 by the Head of Finance and Legal 154-159

**11. MEDIUM TERM BUDGET STRATEGY 2019/20 – 2021/22**

Submit Report No 263/18 by the Head of Finance and Legal. 160-177

**12. REVIEW OF RECYCLING CENTRE PROVISION WITHIN ANGUS**

Submit Report No 264/18 by the Head of Communities 178-189

**13. COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER – DECISION REVIEW PROCEDURE**

Submit Report No 265/18 by the Head of Finance and Legal 190-192