

**ANGUS COUNCIL – 9 FEBRUARY 2017**

**APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

**REPORT BY THE HEAD OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES**

**ABSTRACT**

This report details appointments to outside bodies which require to be made.

**1. RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Council make appointments to the bodies, as detailed in the **Appendix** to the Report.

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

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

5. Individuals are involved in decisions which affect them.

**3. BACKGROUND**

A number of vacancies exist on outside bodies to which the Council is entitled to be represented, the details of which are in the attached **Appendix**. In addition, the purpose/remit of each body is detailed.

**4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial implications arising as a direct result of the recommendations contained in this report.

**5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

Persons appointed to a body with decision-making powers (such as directors on the board of a company) have their primary duty to the interests of that body and not to the Council, irrespective of being appointed as the holder of an office – e.g. a councillor; and decision-makers have a duty of care to act within basic standards of probity and accountability in terms of having sufficient information before them upon which to base their decisions, having collective decisions properly minuted and having regular financial reports made to them to ensure the continued financial solvency of the body (bearing in mind that, particularly for a limited company, allowing it to trade whilst insolvent can attract personal liability by the directors for the company's debts).

Members should contact the Head of Legal and Democratic Services if they require any further guidance regarding their rights and obligations when representing outside bodies.

**NOTE:** No background papers, as defined 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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Name	Purpose	Current Membership/Notes on Constitution
Angus Citizen's Advice Bureau Management Committee	To promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the community in Angus by the advancement of education, the protection of health and the relief of poverty, sickness and distress.	The current membership is Cllrs Devine and Hands. The constitution allows for 3 members to be appointed from Angus Council.
Age Concern	To promote the welfare of the aged.	Angus Council is entitled to appoint one member to this body.
Angus Educational Trust	Responsible for the management of a number of educational endowments.	The Current membership is Cllrs Devine, Jeanette Gaul, Myles May, Smith, Thomson and Welsh. One vacancy exists.
Carnoustie Golf Links Management Ctte	The encouragement and promotion of participation in the sport of golf in Angus, the development of recreational facilities and the promotion of community development, heritage, culture and the environment for the benefit of citizens residing within the Carnoustie area.	One vacancy exists.
Scottish National Federation for the Welfare of the Blind	To promote the wellbeing and protect the interests of blind and partially sighted persons.	Angus Council is entitled to appoint one member to this body.
Scottish National War Memorial for Scotland	The National War Memorial for Scotland was established by Royal Charter to commemorate the sacrifice of Scots in the Great War, Second World War and subsequent conflicts.	The Royal Charter allocates 6 trustees to COSLA in addition to the Lord Provosts of Edinburgh, Glasgow, Dundee and Aberdeen who are ex officio trustees (by nomination to COSLA)
Tayside Valuation Joint Board	Responsible for certain duties in relation to valuation for rating and council tax	Angus Council has 3 places on the Joint Board. The current membership from Angus Council is Cllr Houston (Vice Convener) and Cllr Bowles