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ANGUS COUNCIL

SCRUTINY & AUDIT COMMITTEE - 26 AUGUST 2014

SCRUTINY PANEL REVIEWS

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ABSTRACT

This report provides an update on the proposals for the second tranche of scrutiny reviews.

1. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Scrutiny and Audit Committee consider the contents of this report.

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

This report supports services in the delivery of all local outcomes contained within the Angus Community Plan and Single Outcome Agreement 2013-2016.

3. BACKGROUND

Report 284/14 to the 24 June 2014 meeting of this committee agreed that the two scrutiny panel reviews for the 2014-15 year would be:

- Improved Partnership Working (Chair Cllr Bowles)
- Costs and Benefits of Transforming Angus and the New Management Structure (Chair Cllr Fotheringham)

This report outlines the review teams, lead officers and way forward for the two reviews.

4. PANEL REVIEW TEAMS

All members of this committee (excepting the Convener) will participate in a panel review and were asked to state their preference. Most preferences were able to be accommodated.

The review panels, and lead officers, are as follows:

	Panel A: Improving Partnership Working	Panel B: Costs and Benefits of Transforming Angus and the New Management Structure
Chair	Cllr Bill Bowles	Cllr Craig Fotheringham
Members	Cllr Rob Murray Cllr Bill Duff Cllr Jeanette Gaul Cllr Bob Myles Cllr Mark Salmond	Cllr Brian Boyd Cllr Ronnie Proctor Cllr Jim Houston Cllr David Fairweather Cllr Lynne Devine
Lead Officer	Susan Bruce	Janine Wilson

5. NEXT STEPS

The two scrutiny panels have now been established and the lead officers allocated. The next stage for each of the reviews is for the panel chairs and lead officers to meet to have some initial discussions around the development of the detailed scope for the reviews. It is intended that these meetings be held in late September to accommodate support officers availability and allow some initial scoping research. First panel briefing meetings will be held in October.

6. CONCLUSION

Building on the success of the first tranche of scrutiny reviews, this report outlines the initial arrangement for the second tranche of panel reviews to be conducted by the Scrutiny and Audit Committee. Both reviews are directly linked to the council's outcomes and priority areas and will scoped to ensure maximum contribution to informing the way forward.

7. RISKS

This report does not require any specific risk issues to be addressed.

8. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

9. HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

There are no human rights implications arising from this report.

10. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

The issues contained in the report fall within an approved category that has been confirmed as exempt from an equalities perspective.

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

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