

## **AGENDA ITEM NO 4**

**REPORT NO 367/15**

**SCHEDULE 4**

### **ANGUS COUNCIL**

### **CHILDREN AND LEARNING COMMITTEE**

**22 SEPTEMBER 2015**

### **NOVEMBER IN-SERVICE PLAN**

#### **BACKGROUND**

Each year there are five in-service days for schools. In Angus two of these days are consecutive days in November. Established practice is for one of these days to be designated a 'school' day and one an 'authority' day. The schools and learning team has been working with a group of school leaders to plan the most effective use of the authority day for session 2015/16. The day will be called:

#### **Angus Learning Festival Raising Achievement for Angus' Young People: How to bring past and future learning into the present.**

The event will be held at Carnoustie High School and Forfar Academy as the range of accommodation available fits well with the draft programme.

The Angus Learning Festival is targeted at all Angus teachers. Given the number of staff that this involves, each teacher will attend the Festival for half a day over the course of the two in-service days. It is proposed that teachers attend in whole schools and clusters in order to benefit from collaboration with close colleagues following the Festival.

The Festival will focus on four key themes:

1. Growth mindset
2. Feedback and progression
3. Teachers as evaluators
4. Language of learning

Within each of these themes, practitioners will be asked to showcase their work. The Festival will also provide an opportunity to launch our developing raising achievement strategy. Overall the intention is provide a context for effective sharing of practice and developing connections between staff and schools. The planning group are also devising an evaluation process to ensure that the impact of the Festival is assessed.

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