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ANGUS COUNCIL

SCRUTINY AND AUDIT COMMITTEE – 21 NOVEMBER 2017

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE – ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT FOR YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2017 – UPDATED ACTION PLAN

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ABSTRACT

This report presents an update on the Annual Governance Statement action plan for review and comment.

1. **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Scrutiny and Audit Committee review and scrutinise the contents of the update report.

2. ALIGNMENT TO THE LOCAL OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN (LOIP) AND COUNCIL PLAN

This report supports services in the delivery of the outcomes outlined in the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan and Locality Plans.

3. BACKGROUND

The Annual Governance Statement, which was included in the Council's 2016/17 Annual Accounts, included a number of developments to be taken forward during 2017/18 to strengthen the council's corporate governance.

4. CURRENT POSITION

There are a total of 5 actions in the Annual Governance Statement action plan. At 26 October 2017:

- 1 action has been completed
- 4 actions are in progress. 3 have completion dates of 31 March or later. One action, originally due for completion by 30 June 2017 has a revised completion date of 30 September 2018.

Further details are in the updated action plan at Appendix 1. A further update will be reported to this committee in June 2018 as part of the annual corporate governance review.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct financial implications associated with the terms 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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Appendices 1 - Annual Governance Statement Action Plan Update Report