



## ANGUS HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

### INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD AUDIT COMMITTEE – 12 DECEMBER 2018

#### EXTERNAL REPORTS

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#### ABSTRACT

The aim of this paper is to update the Audit Committee regarding external, often national, reports that are of interest to the Audit Committee.

#### 1.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board Audit Committee note the publication of the reports described in this paper.

#### 2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 On a regular basis reports are published by external bodies that are relevant and useful to Angus IJB. As part of the 2016/17 External Audit process, Audit Scotland particularly recommended that Angus IJB consider the relevant Audit Scotland reports on a regular basis. The principle associated with Audit Scotland reports should be extended to other relevant reports. This report to the Audit Committee highlights reports of relevant, but also notes specific issues or potential actions that could emanate from those reports.

2.2 This list of reports covers the period from June to early August 2018.

Published By	Title	Date	Link
Audit Scotland	Children's and Young people's Mental Health	13/09/18	<a href="http://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/report/children-and-young-peoples-mental-health">http://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/report/children-and-young-peoples-mental-health</a>
Scottish Government	Health and Social Care : Medium Term Financial Framework	4/10/18	<a href="https://www.gov.scot/publications/scottish-government-medium-term-health-social-care-financial-framework/">https://www.gov.scot/publications/scottish-government-medium-term-health-social-care-financial-framework/</a>
Audit Scotland	NHS in Scotland 2018	25/10/18	<a href="http://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/report/nhs-in-scotland-2018">http://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/report/nhs-in-scotland-2018</a>
Audit Scotland	Health and Social Care Integration – Update on Progress	15/11/19	<a href="http://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/report/health-and-social-care-integration-update-on-progress">http://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/report/health-and-social-care-integration-update-on-progress</a>

Audit Scotland	Local Government in Scotland : Financial Overview 2017/18	29/11/18	<a href="http://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/uploads/docs/report/2018/nr_181129_local_government_finance.pdf">http://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/uploads/docs/report/2018/nr_181129_local_government_finance.pdf</a>
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Of the above, the 'Children's and Young People's Mental Health' report was noted at the last Audit Committee as an item of interest. Currently Children's Mental Health Services are not devolved to the Angus IJB.

The Scottish Government's 'Health and Social Care: Medium term Financial Framework' sets out pressures the Health and Social Care system is likely to face nationally. It notes Scottish Government high level funding intentions but does not provide clarity on short term funding issues. This issue is likely to be clarified in December 2018 through the Scottish Government draft budget for 2019/20.

Audit Scotland's recently published report 'Health and Social Care Integration – Update on progress' is particularly relevant to the IJB and Audit Committee. It is contained in full at Appendix 1. The key messages and recommendations in particular should be noted.

Audit Scotland's report 'Local Government in Scotland: Financial Overview 2017/18', does contain a section (part 3) that refers to IJBs. It notes concerns about lack of longer term (>3 years) financial planning, concerns about late agreement of budget and notes concerns about weak financial monitoring generally.

### 3.0 CONCLUSIONS

3.1 The Audit Committee requires to note the publications described.

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List of Appendices

Appendix 1 – Audit Scotland report: Health and Social Care Integration – Update on Progress