



ANGUS HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PARTNERSHIP

INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD – 26 FEBRUARY 2020

REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS

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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this report is to consider the outcome of a review of the Board's Standing Orders and to recommend the adoption of amended Standing Orders.

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board:-

- (i) note the current Standing Orders of the Integration Joint Board adopted at the Board's meeting on 30 August 2017,
- (ii) consider whether the current Standing Orders remain fit for purpose; and
- (iii) agree to adopt the amended Standing Orders contained in Appendix 1 to this Report.

2. REPORT

2.1 Article 18 of the Public Bodies (Joint Working)(Integration Joint Boards)(Scotland) Order 2014 obliges an Integration Joint Board to make Standing Orders for the regulation of its procedure and business, and all meetings of the Integration Joint Board or of a Committee of the Integration Joint Board must be conducted in accordance with those standing orders. In addition, the aforementioned Order specified a number of matters that must be included in Standing Orders that the Integration Joint Board must make.

2.2 The Board adopted its first Standing Orders at its meeting on 6 October 2016. The Board considered further the terms of its Standing Orders and agreed changes to these at its meetings on 28 June 2017 and 30 August 2017. The Board's current Standing Orders can be found here:-

https://www.angus.gov.uk/media/standing_orders_angus_integration_joint_board_pdf

2.3 The Board is invited to consider whether the Standing Orders remain fit for purpose or if any amendment would make the Board more effective, efficient or economic. The Board is asked to note that certain aspects of the Standing Orders cannot be amended.

2.4 Officers have considered the terms of the current Standing Orders and it is recommended that the Board adopt the amended Standing Orders attached as Appendix 1 (with tracked changes from the current Standing Orders). The main changes can be summarised as:-

2.4.1 providing a procedure for the reception of deputations

2.4.2 providing the right of the Chief Officer, Chief Finance Officer and the Board's external and internal auditors to submit reports to the Board's Audit Committee

2.4.3 providing for the Audit Committee to approve the Board's annual accounts and Governance Statements

- 2.4.4 increasing the membership of the Audit Committee to 7 members of the Board with a quorum of at least three voting members of that Committee

3. CONCLUSION

The Board is legally obliged to adopt Standing Orders. It is considered prudent to regularly review the Board's Standing Orders to ensure that they remain current, legally compliant and permit the Board to conduct its business effectively, efficiently and economically.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

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