



**ANGUS HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE**

**INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD AUDIT COMMITTEE – 9 DECEMBER 2020**

**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 RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board Audit Committee:-

- 1) note the publication of the reports described in this paper, and
- 2) agree, subject to evaluation, to channel the information set out in this report through alternative MST (Microsoft teams channels) in future and to expand the issuing of this information to the whole IJB's membership.

**2.0 BACKGROUND**

2.1 On a regular basis reports are published by external bodies that are relevant and useful to Angus IJB. Previously Audit Scotland recommended that Angus IJB consider the relevant Audit Scotland reports on a regular basis. The principle associated with Audit Scotland reports is also extended to other relevant reports. This report to the Audit Committee highlights reports of relevance, but also notes specific issues or potential actions that could emanate from those reports.

Since August there has been a Microsoft Teams (MST) channel where a number of relevant external reports have been added. These reports are reflected in the first group of reports in the list below for completeness.

2.2 This list of reports covers the period from August 2020 to November 2020.

<b>Published By</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Link</b>
Public Health Scotland	Monitoring and evaluation of primary care in Scotland - the baseline position	September 2020	<a href="http://www.healthscotland.scot/publications/monitoring-and-evaluation-of-primary-care-in-scotland-the-baseline-position">http://www.healthscotland.scot/publications/monitoring-and-evaluation-of-primary-care-in-scotland-the-baseline-position</a>
Audit Scotland	Best Value Assurance Report Dundee City Council	September 2020	<a href="https://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/uploads/docs/report/2020/bv_200929_dundee.pdf">https://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/uploads/docs/report/2020/bv_200929_dundee.pdf</a>  This is included for information as it refers to a neighbouring Local Authority.
Public Health Scotland	Public Health Scotland Strategic Plan 2020-23	September 2020	<a href="https://publichealthscotland.scot/downloads/public-health-scotland-strategic-plan-2020-23/">https://publichealthscotland.scot/downloads/public-health-scotland-strategic-plan-2020-23/</a>

Audit Scotland	Report: Covid-19: Guide for audit and risk committees	August 2020	<a href="https://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/report/covid-19-guide-for-audit-and-risk-committees">https://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/report/covid-19-guide-for-audit-and-risk-committees</a> This report is of interest to those reviewing IJB risks.
Audit Scotland	Report: Covid-19 Strategic Scrutiny Group	November 2020	<a href="https://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/report/covid-19-strategic-scrutiny-group">https://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/report/covid-19-strategic-scrutiny-group</a> See notes below.
Scottish Parliament	More than 50% of the Scottish Budget - What are the expected outcomes from the Health and Social Care 2021/22 Budget?	November 2020	<a href="https://sp-bpr-en-prod-cdnep.azureedge.net/published/HS/2020/11/10/More-than-50--of-the-Scottish-Budget---What-are-the-expected-outcomes-from-the-Health-and-Social-Care-2021-22-Budget-/HSS052020R18.pdf">https://sp-bpr-en-prod-cdnep.azureedge.net/published/HS/2020/11/10/More-than-50--of-the-Scottish-Budget---What-are-the-expected-outcomes-from-the-Health-and-Social-Care-2021-22-Budget-/HSS052020R18.pdf</a> Recently issued report with references to Large Hospital Set Aside noted.
Perth & Kinross IJB	INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT 2019/20	June 2020	<a href="https://perth-and-kinross.cmis.uk.com/perth-and-kinross/Document.ashx?czJKcaeAi5tUFL1DTL2UE4zNRBcoShgo=w%2bcryhWqrvcpquFyf374sbA0Z0Md2CUpWzhcKBrzl%2f1YzzDIGvSm7Q%3d%3d&amp;rUzwRPf%2bZ3zd4E7lkn8Lvw%3d%3d=pwRE6AGJFLDNlh225F5QMaQWctPHwdhUfCZ%2fLUQzqA2uL5jNRG4jdQ%3d%3d&amp;mCTlbCubSFfXsDGW9lXnlq%3d%3d=hFfIUdN3100%3d&amp;kCx1AnS9%2fpWZQ40DXFvdEw%3d%3d=hFfIUdN3100%3d&amp;uJovDxwdjMPoYv%2bAJvYtyA%3d%3d=ctNJFf55vVA%3d&amp;FgPIIEJYlotS%2bYGoB5oIA%3d%3d=NHdURQburHA%3d&amp;d9Qij0ag1Pd993isyQJqFvmyB7X0CSQK=ctNJFf55vVA%3d&amp;WGewmoAfeNR9xqBux0r1Q8Za60lavYmz=ctNJFf55vVA%3d&amp;WGewmoAfeNQ16B2MHuCPMRKZMwaG1PaO=ctNJFf55vVA%3d">https://perth-and-kinross.cmis.uk.com/perth-and-kinross/Document.ashx?czJKcaeAi5tUFL1DTL2UE4zNRBcoShgo=w%2bcryhWqrvcpquFyf374sbA0Z0Md2CUpWzhcKBrzl%2f1YzzDIGvSm7Q%3d%3d&amp;rUzwRPf%2bZ3zd4E7lkn8Lvw%3d%3d=pwRE6AGJFLDNlh225F5QMaQWctPHwdhUfCZ%2fLUQzqA2uL5jNRG4jdQ%3d%3d&amp;mCTlbCubSFfXsDGW9lXnlq%3d%3d=hFfIUdN3100%3d&amp;kCx1AnS9%2fpWZQ40DXFvdEw%3d%3d=hFfIUdN3100%3d&amp;uJovDxwdjMPoYv%2bAJvYtyA%3d%3d=ctNJFf55vVA%3d&amp;FgPIIEJYlotS%2bYGoB5oIA%3d%3d=NHdURQburHA%3d&amp;d9Qij0ag1Pd993isyQJqFvmyB7X0CSQK=ctNJFf55vVA%3d&amp;WGewmoAfeNR9xqBux0r1Q8Za60lavYmz=ctNJFf55vVA%3d&amp;WGewmoAfeNQ16B2MHuCPMRKZMwaG1PaO=ctNJFf55vVA%3d</a>
Scottish Government	COVID-19	March 2020 onwards	Since March 2020, the Scottish Government have regularly published COVID-19 related information on their websites.

The impact of COVID-19 has seen a significant volume of information published on Scottish Government web sites. However, COVID-19 may also have the delayed the publication of other reports.

With regard to “COVID-19 Guide for Audit and Risk Committees”, the IJB’s Internal Auditors will facilitate a review of the IJB’s governance through the Partnership’s COVID-19 response forum.

The Scottish Parliament report “More than 50% of the Scottish Budget - What are the expected outcomes from the Health and Social Care 2021/22 Budget?” does note some issues pertinent to IJBs (e.g. re Social Prescribing). Direct finance issues in this report will be considered through national finance channels.

It has previously been requested that the Perth & Kinross IJB Annual Internal Audit Report be shared for information.

- 2.3 As noted above, the IJB has been sharing reports via an MST forum. Before the next Audit Committee, feedback will be invited from members of the Team to understand if this resource has been useful and identify potential opportunities for improvement. If that evaluation proves positive, then it is anticipated that the need for these Audit Committee reports can now be concluded with relevant reports now shared via this new mechanism and this is now included in the report recommendations.

### **3.0 CONCLUSION**

3.1 The Audit Committee is required to note the publications described.

3.2 It is recommend that, subject to evaluation described above, the IJB Audit Committee now agreed that the information contained in this report is in future channelled via MST forums. Additionally it is recommended that the IJB widen the channel for receipt of this information to the whole IJB's membership.

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