# **AGENDA ITEM NO 6**

# REPORT NO 33/17

#### ANGUS COUNCIL

# SCRUTINY AND AUDIT COMMITTEE – 24 JANUARY 2017

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE – ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT FOR YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2016 – 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 ANGUS COMMUNITY PLAN/SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT/COPORATE PLAN

This report supports services in the delivery of all local outcomes contained within the Angus Community Plan and Single Outcome Agreement 2013-2016.

#### 3. BACKGROUND

The Annual Governance Statement, which was included in the Council's 2015/16 Annual Accounts, included a number of developments to be taken forward during 2016/17 to strengthen the council's corporate governance. (Report 254/16 to this committee refers.) Actions to address these developments are monitored through Covalent.

#### 4. CURRENT POSITION

There are a total of 7 actions in the Annual Governance Statement. At 18 December 2016,

- 1 action has been completed
- 2 actions were due for completion by 31 December. Both are close to completion.
- 4 actions have completion dates of March 2017 or later.

An updated action plan is attached at Appendix 1.

A further update will be reported to this committee in June 2016 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