

ANGUS COUNCIL

SCRUTINY AND AUDIT COMMITTEE – 23 SEPTEMBER 2021

ANGUS COUNCIL PLAN ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2020-2021

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ABSTRACT

This report presents the Angus Council Plan annual performance report for 2020-2021.

1. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Scrutiny & Audit Committee:

(i) scrutinise the Angus Council Plan annual performance report 2020-2021;

2. ALIGNMENT TO THE ANGUS COMMUNITY PLAN/COUNCIL PLAN

The contents of the Angus Council Plan Annual Performance Report 2020-2021 are aligned with the Angus Community Plan 2017-2030.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 The vision for Angus; 'Angus is a great place to live, work and visit', remains strong and is supported by a set of values and clear priorities for Angus that support the partnership outcomes for Angus set out in the Community Plan. The priorities remain focused on the four pillars of our economy, our people and our place, alongside the continual drive to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of our council itself.

3.2 The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our council, our staff, our communities and citizens has been significant and wide reaching. This performance report links back to the previous Council Plan however makes reference to the future planning around resilience and the updated plan tabled in March 2021. The report demonstrates the excellent performance by services throughout the pandemic year and as we now move towards recovery, we can be proud of the achievements over the year.

4. CONTEXT

4.1 Angus Council has developed strategies and plans to support and complement the Council Plan. These include:

- Medium-term budget strategy
- Workforce Plan
- Angus Child Poverty Local Action Report 2020
- Angus Food Growing Strategy

4.2 A number of other National strategies continue to play a significant role in the way we work as a Council these include the Fairer Scotland Duty and most recently Community Wealth Building, a people centred approach to local development.

4.3 Regional working with partners across Tayside continues to collaborate on a range of activities including Tay Cities Deal and the Tayside Plan for Children and Young People and Families 2017-2020.

5. CURRENT POSITION

- 5.1 We have prepared an annual performance report for 2020-2021 (Appendix 1) which focuses on what has been done for the previous 12 months, case studies, key statistics, improvements and how are we progressing.
- 5.2 This performance report is designed to show how we are delivering on our vision to make Angus a great place to Live, Work and Visit.
- 5.3 Throughout the pandemic engagement sessions have been held with Council staff and leadership teams to ensure a greater understanding of the Council Plan messages and way forward. This led to the development of the Strategy on a Page (SOAP) which is shown at the back of the document and will be the focus on the performance reporting moving forward.
- 5.4 For the 2022 – 2023 performance report, information will be drawn from Pentana, our performance system as all staff will be using this.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

7. CONSULTATION

- 7.1 A significant amount of work has been done with services, partners and communities to develop this performance report and show the amount of work underway to make Angus a great place to live, work and visit.
- 7.2 The Depute Chief Executive, Director of Legal and Democratic Services and the Director of Finance have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

NOTE: The background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) which were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report are:

- Audit Commission: Angus Council Best Value audit report (October 2016)

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List of Appendices: Appendix 1 – Angus Council Plan Annual Performance Report 2020-2021