

ANGUS COUNCIL

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ANGUS COMMUNITY PLAN ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021

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ABSTRACT

This report presents the Angus Community Plan Annual Performance Report for 2020 - 2021.

1. RECOMMENDATION(S)

It is recommended that Angus Council:

- (i) approve the Community Plan Annual Performance Report for 2020 - 2021
- (ii) note the Community Plan will be reviewed in 2022 to cover the period 2022 -2030

2. ALIGNMENT TO THE ANGUS COUNCIL PLAN

The contents of the Angus Community Plan Annual Performance Report are aligned with the Angus Community Plan 2017 – 2030 and Angus Council Plan 2021-2024.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Community Planning is a statutory responsibility for each Local Authority and is about how public bodies work together, and with local communities, to design and deliver better services that make a real difference to people's lives. There are 32 Community Planning Partnerships (CPP) across Scotland, one for each council area. Each CPP focuses on where partners' collective efforts and resources can add the most value to their local communities, with particular emphasis on reducing inequality.
- 3.2 Community Planning drives public service reform by bringing together local public services with the communities they serve and provides a focus for partnership working that targets specific local circumstances. Partners work together to improve local services and to ensure that they meet the needs of local people, especially those who need the services most.
- 3.3 This performance report covers the period 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021 and highlights the wealth of activity delivered to achieve the Community Planning vision. This report outlines the continued work undertaken in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and how we as a partnership have changed our approach to service delivery. This has involved placing our communities at the heart of everything we do.

4. CURRENT POSITION

- 4.1 The Angus Community Planning Partnership (ACPP) has changed significantly over the past 12 months due to a new approach to developing services and the COVID-19 pandemic. A lot of work has been done to align local strategies and plans with the Community Plan providing an overarching direction of travel for partners and services. The recent strategies which have been aligned include:
 - Angus Local Child Poverty Action Report 2019/20
 - Angus Health and Social Care Partnership strategic progress and performance report
 - Angus Cultural Strategy
 - Angus Food Growing Strategy
 - Tayside Plan for Children, Young People and Families
 - Community Justice Partnership Framework

4.2 A significant amount of work has been undertaken by the partners. Key highlights include:-

- Publication of the [Angus Food Growing Strategy](#) 2020 – 2025 which was co-produced with local people and included over 2,500 responses across the area.
- To support the roll out of the COVID -19 vaccinations there has been a strong Community response in the form of increased volunteering, promotion and support. Between January 2021 - May 2021: 1285 shifts in vaccine centres were covered over the course of 410 days and this is by a grand total of 1474 volunteers.
- The Angus CPP Period Poverty campaign has grown under the banner of 'Free Period Angus' with the aim of eradicating period poverty in Angus by 2021. Throughout the pandemic over 16,500 products have been distributed to our communities with an emphasis on re-useable products.
- Over 800 home safety visits were conducted within the homes of the most vulnerable people in Angus. We also fitted 40 hard of hearing alarms, conducted 68 adult referrals and attended 26 high profile persons at risk reviews.
- In this reporting period the Angus Community Planning Partnership (ACPP) has provided input for 28 local and national consultations the majority aligned to COVID 19 pandemic work and recovery.

A number of other national strategies and legislation are aligned to the work of the partnership and help to guide and influence change. These include the Fairer Scotland Duty, Child Poverty (Scotland) Act 2017, Vision for Health Improvement in Scotland and the Local Governance Review.

5. PROPOSALS

5.1 The Annual Performance Report for 2020 – 2021 (Appendix1) includes:-

- Our Partnership Summary
- Legislative Context
- Our Performance – key areas of work
- 2030 Aspirations – Update.
- Sections on each priority including case studies: Reducing Child Poverty, Improving Mental Health & Wellbeing, Improving Accessibility and Connectivity
- 2022 Review of Community Plan

5.2 This performance report is designed to show how the partnership are delivering on our vision to make Angus a great place to live, work and visit.

5.3 The Annual Performance Report sets the scene for the proposed Community Plan Review which will be carried out in 2022. This review is aligned to the requirements in the Community Empowerment Act and will present a lot of opportunities for our communities to help shape the future direction of Community Planning in Angus 2022 – 2030.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

7. CONSULTATION

7.1 Throughout June, July and August the partnership were consulted on the report, co-produced case studies and helped to shape the updates.

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 Community Plan Annual Performance Report 2020 - 2021