

ANGUS COUNCIL

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 6 JUNE 2023

ANGUS COMMUNITY PLAN 2022 - 2030

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ABSTRACT

This report presents an amended Angus Community Planning Partnership Plan for the period 2022 to 2030 for approval following a decision to amend the governance structure of the partnership by the Angus Community Planning Board on 15th February 2023.

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Committee:

- (i) Notes the previous decision of this Committee following consideration of Report Number 12/23 on 7 February 2023 to approve the Angus Community Plan 2022 – 2030;
- (ii) Notes the subsequent decision of the Community Planning Board on 15 February 2023 to amend the governance structure;
- (iii) Notes that the decision of the Community Planning Board referred to in (ii) above constitutes a material change of circumstances within 6 months of the Angus Community Plan 2022 – 2030 being agreed by Committee in Report Number 12/23 on 7 February 2023 so that in terms of Standing Order 26(2), the Convenor requires to make a ruling that it is appropriate for the issue to be reconsidered;
- (iv) In the event that the Convenor makes a ruling that it is appropriate for the issue to be reconsidered in terms of recommendation (iii) above, approve the amendment to the governance arrangements to have one Angus Community Planning Partnership Board that also considers the delivery of the Angus Community Plan 2022 – 2030, and the consequent changes to the Plan.

2. ALIGNMENT TO THE COUNCIL PLAN

The contents of the Community Plan 2022 – 2030 are aligned with the Angus Council Plan 2023 - 2028.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Producing a Community Plan or Local Outcome Improvement Plan (LOIP) is a statutory responsibility for each Local Authority and ensures there is strategic direction to enable public bodies to work together, and with local communities, to design and deliver better services that make a real difference to people's lives.
- 3.2 The Community Plan 2022 – 2030 was approved at Policy and Resources Committee on 7th February 2023 [[Agenda Item 4 Report 12/23](#)]. However, subsequently a meeting of the Angus Community Planning Partnership Board agreed a change to the governance arrangements and Committee is now being asked to approve the amended Community Plan as set out at Appendix A.

4. CURRENT POSITION

4.1 The Angus Community Planning Partnership Board met on 15th February 2023 and partners made the decision to amend the governance structure. Within the plan approved at Policy & Resources Committee on 7 February 2023 the structure included a Community Planning Partnership Board as the overarching body with a Community Planning Strategic Group, reporting to the Board, leading on delivery of the plan.

4.2 At the Community Planning Board meeting on 15th February 2023 partners reflected on the model used during the pandemic, and with the current cost of living crisis and budgetary constraints affecting all organisations, a decision was taken to have one structure which combined the board and strategic group. This one group will be known as the Angus Community Planning Partnership Board. It is anticipated that this will reduce meeting time and enable more partners to get involved. The revised structure is detailed in the plan at Appendix A.

4.3 Membership of the Partnership Board include the following representatives –

- Chair - Hayley Mearns Voluntary Action Angus
- Vice Chair - Jackie Buchanan Angus Council
- Alison Henderson Chamber of Commerce
- Alison Smith Angus Council
- Leanne Blacklaw Police Scotland
- Cllr Beth Whiteside Angus Council Leader
- Cllr Julie Bell Angus Council IJB Representative
- Emma Fletcher NHS Tayside
- Fiona Enston Skills Development Scotland
- Gail Smith Angus Health Social Care Partnership
- Jacqui Semple Angus Council
- Jaki Carnegie Dundee & Angus College
- Jamie Bell Scottish Enterprise
- Kirsty Hunter Angus Alive
- Margo Williamson Angus Council
- Mark Armstrong Angus Council
- Mark Lowe Scottish Fire and Rescue
- Mark Speed Tacran
- Tim McDonnell Scottish Government

4.4 To ensure the functions of both of the former groups is being covered, the agenda for the meetings of the new combined Partnership Board will include a section for delivery of the priorities and a section for scrutiny and audit to ensure that the Angus Community Plan is on target and is being delivered collaboratively. Progress will be reported to the Board and to Angus Council in the annual performance report each September.

4.5 Committee is now being asked to approve the amended Community Plan at Appendix A. In order for Committee to consider this, the Convener is asked to make a ruling that it is appropriate for the issue to be reconsidered, given that the previous decision of this Committee to approve the Plan without these changes was made on 7 February 2023. The 6-month rule within Standing Order 26(2) states that a decision shall not be altered or revoked within a period of 6 months from the date of such decision being taken unless the Convener is satisfied that there has been a material change in circumstances. It is submitted that the decision of the Community Planning Board on 15 February 2023 to amend the governance structure constitutes a material change of circumstances.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

6. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

An Equality Impact Assessment and Fairer Scotland Duty assessment has been carried out and is attached.

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:

- Angus Community Plan 2017-2030.
- Audit Commission: Angus Council Best Value audit report (July 2022).

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List of Appendices:

- a) Angus Community Plan 2022 - 2030