1 RECOMMENDATION

1.1 It is recommended that the Committee note for its information the content of the Tayside Annual Economic Review 2003 and the most recent edition of the Tayside Economic Bulletin (copies have been placed in the Member’s Lounge).

2 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Members will be aware that Angus Council, together with Dundee City Council, Perth and Kinross Council, Scottish Enterprise Tayside and University of Abertay, jointly fund the operating costs of Scottish Economic Research, formerly the Tayside Economic Research Centre. The Centre carries out research and analysis on the Tayside economy, which assists in providing a context for the economic development strategies of the partners.

2.2 This Report asks the Committee to note for its information the contents of the Tayside Annual Economic Review 2003 and the latest edition of the Tayside Economic Review (placed in the Member’s Lounge).

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 There are no financial implications arising from this Report.

4 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no Human Rights implications arising from this report.

5 CONSULTATION

5.1 The Directors of Finance and Law & Administration have been consulted in the preparation of this Report.

6 CONCLUSION

6.1 The economic research and analysis carried out by SER informs the ongoing work of the department in preparation and review of the economic development strategy.
NOTE

No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above Report.

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