

ANGUS COUNCIL

SCRUTINY AND AUDIT – 13 AUGUST 2013

SCRUTINY REVIEW PROGRESS - UPDATE

REPORT BY SERVICE MANAGER - GOVERNANCE

ABSTRACT

This report provides an update on the progress of the preparations for conducting the 2013-14 scrutiny reviews

1 RECOMMENDATION

The committee note

- (i) The recent delivery of initial training
- (ii) The composition of the scrutiny panels for the two reviews (Appendix 1)
- (iii) That initial scoping meetings with the Panel Chairs and Lead Officers will be organised

2 BACKGROUND

Report 328/13 to the 13 June 2013 meeting of this committee agreed that the two initial topics for scrutiny review would be Roads Network Maintenance and Repair and Progress Toward Zero Waste.

This report gives an update on the work currently being done to prepare for the delivery of this first tranche of scrutiny reviews.

3 UPDATE ON PROGRESS

An initial interactive training day was held for members covering aspects of scoping reviews; developing lines of questioning; community engagement; monitoring; report writing and the scrutiny of partnerships and other agencies. This training will provide the basis for enabling members to take forward their new remit in relation to the delivery of the two agreed scrutiny reviews.

The two scrutiny panels have now been established and the lead officers allocated. The next stage for each of the reviews is for the panel chairs and lead officers to meet to have some initial discussions around the development of the detailed scope for the reviews. It is intended that these meetings be held by the end of this month to allow the panels to have their first briefing meetings during September.

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with the terms of this report.

5 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

There are no human rights implications associated with this report.

6 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

The issues contained within this report fall within an approved category that has been confirmed as exempt from an equalities perspective.

7 CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive, Strategic Directors of Resources, People and Communities, Head of Corporate Improvement & Finance and Head of Legal & Democratic Services have been consulted on the terms of this report.

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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.

2013 - 14 Scrutiny Reviews

	Panel A Progress Toward Zero Waste	Panel B Roads Network Maintenance and Repair
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