

Perth and Kinross Integration Joint Board

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NATIONAL JOINT REVIEW OF LOCAL GOVERNANCE

Report by Chief Officer (Report No. G/18/192)

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

This report seeks approval of the Integration Joint Board's response to the Scottish Government / COSLA joint National Review of Local Governance.

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The National Joint Review of Local Governance was launched in November 2017 jointly by the Scottish Government and COSLA. The Scottish Government Programme for Government 2017-18 set out the intention to "decentralise power to a more local level in Scotland and launch a comprehensive review of local governance ahead of a Local Democracy Bill later in this Parliament". The review explores what might be achieved, and highlights opportunities for positive change. The intention is to bring a wide range of Scotland's public services into scope, take cognisance of reforms where work is already progressing, and includes powers and functions held at national level.
- 1.2 The review is being undertaken in two strands. Firstly, communities and local organisations are being invited to submit views about how decision making can work best for towns, villages and neighbourhoods around the country. Further to this, Scotland's public sector leaders and bodies have been invited to bring forward proposals to feed into the review. A copy of the letter from Scottish Government / COSLA to public sector leaders is attached as Appendix 1. Perth and Kinross Council and NHS Tayside will also be submitting responses to the review.

2 PROPOSALS

2.1 Members of Perth and Kinross Integration Joint Board held a development session in October 2018 to discuss the review and were also invited to submit any further comments via email. A copy of the comments received is attached as Appendix 2.

3. RECOMMENDATION

3.1 It is recommended that the Board approve the attached submission to the National Joint Review of Local Governance on behalf of the Integration Joint Board.

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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 this report.

Appendix 1: Joint Letter to Public Sector Leaders from Scottish Government / COSLA June 2018

Appendix 2: Perth and Kinross Integration Joint Board Membership Submission to National Review of Local Governance

1. IMPLICATIONS, ASSESSMENTS, CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

Strategic Implications	Yes / None
HSCP Strategic Commissioning Plan	N/A
Transformation Programme	N/A
Resource Implications	
Financial	N/A
Workforce	N/A
Assessments	
Equality Impact Assessment	N/A
Risk	N/A
Other assessments (enter here from para 3.3)	N/A
Consultation	
External	Yes
Internal	N/A
Legal & Governance	
Legal	N/A
Clinical/Care/Professional Governance	N/A
Corporate Governance	N/A
Communication	
Communications Plan	Yes

1. Strategic Implications

1.1 <u>Strategic Commissioning Plan</u>

N/A

2. Resource Implications

2.1 <u>Financial</u>

N/A

2.2 Workforce

N/A

3. Assessments

3.1 Equality Impact Assessment

N/A

3.2 Risk

N/A

3.3 Other assessments

N/A

4. Consultation

4.1 External

Consultation has taken place with members of the Integration Joint Board on the contents of the response to the review.

4.2 Internal

N/A

5. <u>Legal and Governance</u>

5.1 N/A

6. Communication

6.1 Following approval by the Board, the response will be submitted to the review.

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS/REFERENCES

N/A

8. APPENDICES

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