

REMIT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 The key purpose of this report is to provide an update on the remit of the Community Services Committee following the inception of the Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership and the Integration Joint Board (IJB).
- 1.2 It sets out key responsibilities which have transferred to the IJB and outlines the key responsibilities of the Committee as incorporated into the review of the Constitution undertaken by Council in June 2016.

Recommendation

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2.0 INTRODUCTION

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- 2.2 It sets out key responsibilities which have transferred to the IJB and outlines the key responsibilities of the Committee as incorporated into the review of the Constitution undertaken by Council in June 2016.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 The Committee is invited to note the revised remit of the Community Services Committee.

4.0 DETAIL

- 4.1 The Integration Joint Board has been operating as a shadow Board since April 2015 and came into formal being on 1st April 2016. It was established by The Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 which provides a framework for the effective integration of adult health and social care services. The Integration Joint Board in Argyll and Bute (IJB) was established in statute and is responsible for the strategic planning of the functions delegated to it and for ensuring the delivery of those functions through the directions issued by it under section 25 of the Act.
- 4.2 Argyll and Bute Council agreed to delegate the following functions to the IJB:
- Older Peoples Services (Fieldwork Services including Admin/Care Homes /Day Care/Home Care)
 - Adult Care (Learning Disability fieldwork/Resource Centres/ Mental Health Fieldwork/ Resources, ABAT fieldwork services, Sensory Impairment)
 - Children and Families (All) fieldwork services/Resources units/ Fostering and Adoption/Children Affected Disability/ Service
 - Development/Criminal Justice
- 4.3 Delegation of these functions has impacted on the remit of the Community Services Committee and this has been incorporated into the most recent review of the Council Constitution as considered by Council in June 2016. The revised remit of the Committee is set out at Appendix 1 to this report.

- 4.4 The Council Constitution, as reviewed at Council in June 2016, provides for the Community Services Committee the remit to consider and to offer comment on policy proposals in respect of those areas no longer within its direct remit and now delegated to the Argyll and Bute Integration Joint Board:-
- Children and Families and Adult Social Work Services
 - The relevant functional areas relating to children and families and adult social work services, criminal justice services, child and adult protection, corporate parenting, school hostels and community justice social work services.
- 4.5 It should be noted that the IJB has a distinct legal personality and the autonomy to manage itself to achieve the objectives and outcomes as captured in its strategic plan.

5.0 CONCLUSION

- 5.1 The Committee is invited to note the revised remit of the Community Services Committee following the inception of the Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership and the Integration Joint Board on 1st April 2016 and the formal transfer of agreed delegated functions.

The Committee has a key role in terms of providing strategic focus and scrutiny of key policy issues on behalf of Argyll and Bute Council and this is underpinned in the Constitution.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Policy : Provides clarity on strategic focus on policy issues.
6.2 Financial : N/A
6.3 Legal : Clarifies extent of remit of Committee.
6.4 HR : N/A
6.5 Equalities: N/A
6.6 Risk: N/A
6.7 Customer Service: N/A

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1: Extract from Constitution June 2016 – Remit of Community Services Committee

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2.3 Community Services and Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee

2.3.1 (1) Advise the Policy and Resources Committee and the Council in the development of service objectives, policies and plans concerned with service delivery within the functional areas noted below and manage performance.

(2) Monitor and review achievement of key outcomes in the Service Plans within the functional areas noted below by ensuring best value in the use of resources to achieve these key outcomes is met within a performance culture of continuous improvement and customer focus.

(3) Subject to the exclusions from and limitations of delegations set out in this scheme, and the terms of reference and authority of the Policy and Resources Committee, each Committee is authorised to discharge the powers and duties of the Council within the functional areas noted below in accordance with the policies of the Council, and the relevant provisions in its approved revenue and capital budgets.

(4) Undertake community engagement in terms of Council's community engagement strategy in respect of their service area.

Community Services Committee

All of the functional area within the Community Services department not otherwise reserved to the Council or the Policy and Resources Committee including, without prejudice to the foregoing generality, the following:-

- Education and Lifelong Learning
The relevant functional areas relating to schools education, educational psychology, early learning and childcare, youth services, and lifelong learning. For the avoidance of doubt, it shall discharge the powers and duties as education authority, and in relation to those functions, the dismissal of a teacher whose contract of employment incorporates the Strathclyde Regional Council Conditions of Service for Teachers in Day Schools
- Communities and Culture
- Libraries, halls, arts and culture.
- Community Planning
- The relevant functional areas relating to housing and homelessness, community learning and development, libraries and culture, leisure and sport.

In respect of the following matters now delegated to the Argyll and Bute Integration Joint Board to consider any policy proposals in respect of the following areas and to offer comment thereon:-

- Children and Families and Adult Social Work Services
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