

**INVERCLYDE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD AUDIT COMMITTEE – 20 MARCH 2018**

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**Inverclyde Integration Joint Board Audit Committee**

**Tuesday 20 March 2018 at 2.10pm**

**Present:** Councillors L Quinn and L Rebecchi, Mr A Cowan, Dr D Lyons, Mr I Bruce and Ms D McCrone.

**Chair:** Councillor Rebecchi presided.

**In attendance:** Ms L Long, Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership, Ms L Aird, Chief Financial Officer, HSCP, Ms S McAlees, Head of Children’s Services & Criminal Justice, Ms H Watson, Head of Strategy & Support Services, Ms A Priestman, Chief Internal Auditor, Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services).

**In attendance also:** Mr D Jamieson and Mr T Yule, Audit Scotland.

**5 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 5**

No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were intimated.

**6 Minute of Meeting of Inverclyde Integration Joint Board Audit Committee of 30 January 2018 6**

There was submitted minute of the meeting of the Inverclyde Integration Joint Board Audit Committee of 30 January 2018.

**Decided:** that the minute be agreed.

**7 Internal Audit Progress Report – 8 January to 23 February 2018 7**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on the progress made by Internal Audit during the period from 8 January to 23 February 2018.

**Decided:** that the Committee note the progress made by Internal Audit during the period from 8 January to 23 February 2018.

**8 External Audit – Annual Audit Plan 2017/18 8**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership appending the External Audit Plan for 2017/18 produced by Audit Scotland.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee note the annual Audit Plan 2017/18; and
- (2) that the Committee note the proposed Audit Fee and authorise officers to write to Audit Scotland direct, querying this and asking for an urgent review of the proposed fee.

**9 Local Code of Governance 9**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership proposing establishment of a local Code of

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Governance Framework with sources of assurance for the Integration Joint Board.

During the course of discussion on this item, reference was made to the process for self-assessment as an Integration Joint Board and Ms Aird indicated that work was underway in relation to self-assessment and the preparation of an associated action plan which would be reported in due course.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the report;
- (2) that the Committee approve the local Code of Governance Framework attached at Appendix A; and
- (3) that the Committee note that officers will carry out an evaluation of compliance of the IJB's governance arrangements against the local Code of Governance Framework and that this evaluation will be reflected in the annual Governance Statement.