

This paper relates to
Agenda Item 9



Title/Subject: Integration Joint Board Annual Accounts 2015/16

Meeting: Integration Joint Board

Date: 5 August 2016

Submitted By: Chief Finance Officer

Action: For Noting

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The purpose of the report is to present the unaudited accounts to the Integration Joint Board for consideration.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 The integration Joint Board is asked to

- Note the Unaudited Annual Accounts
- Note the Management Commentary and Annual Governance Statement contained within the Annual Accounts
- Note the submission of the Unaudited Annual Accounts to Audit Scotland on 30 June 2016

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 The Local Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2014 places a statutory obligation on the Falkirk IJB to submit unaudited Annual Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2016 to its external auditors by 30 June 2016. A copy of the unaudited 2015/16 accounts are attached at Appendix 1.

3.2 Whilst it is recognised that the Falkirk IJB did not become legally established until 3 October 2015 and responsibility for service delivery was not assumed until 1 April 2016, annual accounts are required for submission for the period 3 October 2016 to 31 March 2016.

4. MAIN BODY OF THE REPORT

4.1 The 2015/16 Accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom and the Local Authority Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2014.

- 4.2 Under Regulation 9(1) of the Local Authority Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2014, notice has been given and copies of the unaudited Annual Accounts will be available for public inspection at Denny Town House for the period 1 July 2016 to 5 August 2016.
- 4.3 As previously agreed by the Integration Joint Board, the IJB's Audit Committee will meet by 30 September 2016 to approve the audited annual accounts. An Audit Committee planning meeting was held on 23 June 2016 attended by the Chair of the Audit Committee, Depute Chief Governance Officer from Falkirk Council, IJB Chief Finance Officer and Head of Internal Audit. Discussions are ongoing to populate the membership of the Audit Committee.

5. CONCLUSIONS

- 5.1 Based on the information provided what are the conclusions that lead to the recommendations at the start of the report.

Resource Implications

- The accounts detail the relevant income and expenditure relating to 2015/16.

Impact on IJB Outcomes and Priorities

n/a

Legal & Risk Implications

Consultation

A statement which notes whether consultation is necessary and if so how and when this has/will be undertaken.

Equalities Assessment

None arising.

Approved for Submission by: Chief Finance Officer

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List of Background Papers: