
Report to Clackmannanshire Council

Date of Meeting: 27 November 2025

Subject: Committee Recommendations Referred to Council

Report by: Chief Executive

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1. The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval of recommendations which have been made by the Audit and Scrutiny Committee on 30 October 2025.
- 1.2. Under the Council's decision-making framework, Council has delegated certain matters to committees and has reserved certain powers. Included in the latter are the approval of main policies and strategies (Scheme of Delegation 3.2), the approval of budgets (Scheme of Delegation 3.19) and the spending of money not budgeted for (Scheme of Delegation 3.20).
- 1.3. Standing Order 8.4 requires that where a Committee passes a report to Council, the full Committee report shall not be included again on the Council agenda and that officers should prepare a brief report that refers to the relevant Committee report and recommendation(s).

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1. From the **Audit and Scrutiny Committee of 30 October 2025**, in relation to the "*Audit & Scrutiny Committee Annual Report*" report, where the Audit and Scrutiny Committee noted, challenged and commented on the report and agreed to submit the report to Council for comment, challenge and approval:

It is recommended that Council:

- 2.1.1. Comment on, challenge and approve the Audit and Scrutiny Annual Report 2023/2024 which includes the self assessment actions set out in paragraphs 12.2.1 to 12.2.4 of the Annual Report that:

To support reflection, review, and self-development, members agreed that, on a voluntary basis, Committee members would be invited to remain briefly after each meeting to reflect on what went well and identify areas for improvement.

Members requested that quarterly financial information from the Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) be presented to the Committee to enable robust scrutiny. The Strategic Director for Partnership and Performance will liaise with the Chief Officer and Chief Finance Officer of the HSCP to ensure regular reporting is provided.

Members expressed a preference for year-end accounts to be presented to the Audit and Scrutiny Committee prior to submission to Council, where possible. It was acknowledged that this may not always be feasible; however, where accounts are first presented to Council, they should subsequently be brought to Committee for further scrutiny and review.

- 2.2. The [“Audit & Scrutiny Annual Report”](#) is available on the Council's website.
- 2.3. From the **Audit and Scrutiny Committee of 30 October 2025**, in relation to the *“HRA Financial Performance 2025/26 as at June 2025”* report, where the Audit and Scrutiny Committee having commented on and challenged the report, noted and recommended for Council approval, the request to vire £0.450m from the safe electrical testing programme to the window replacement programme as set out in paragraph 5.2 of the report.

It is recommended that Council:

- 2.3.1. Approve the request to vire £0.450m from the safe electrical testing programme to the window replacement programme
- 2.4. The [“HRA Financial Performance 2025/26 as at June 2025”](#) report is available on the Council's website.

3.0 Sustainability Implications

- 3.1. None

4.0 Resource Implications

4.1. Financial Details

- 4.2. The full financial implications of the recommendations are set out in the report. This includes a reference to full life cycle costs where appropriate. N/A
- 4.3. Finance have been consulted and have agreed the financial implications as set out in the report. N/A

5.0 Exempt Reports

Is this report exempt? Yes ☐ (please detail the reasons for exemption below) No ☒

6.0 Declarations

The recommendations contained within this report support or implement our Corporate Priorities and Council Policies.

(1) **Our Priorities**

- Clackmannanshire will be attractive to businesses & people and ensure fair opportunities for all ☐
- Our families; children and young people will have the best possible start in life ☐
- Women and girls will be confident and aspirational, and achieve their full potential ☐
- Our communities will be resilient and empowered so that they can thrive and flourish ☐

(2) **Council Policies**

- Complies with relevant Council Policies ☒

8.0 Impact Assessments

- 8.1 Have you attached the combined equalities impact assessment to ensure compliance with the public sector equality duty and fairer Scotland duty? (All EFSIAs also require to be published on the Council's website) No ☒

- 8.2 If an impact assessment has not been undertaken you should explain why:

An Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA) and Fairer Scotland Duty Assessment have not been prepared as this is a review report and does not relate to a new policy or strategy.

9.0 Legality

- 9.1 It has been confirmed that in adopting the recommendations contained in this report, the Council is acting within its legal powers. Yes ☒

10.0 Appendices

- 10.1 Please list any appendices attached to this report. If there are no appendices, please state "none".

11.0 Background Papers

- 11.1 Have you used other documents to compile your report? (All documents must be kept available by the author for public inspection for four years from the date of meeting at which the report is considered)

Yes ☒ (please list the documents below) No ☐

Audit and Scrutiny Committee of 30 October 2025 (Item 10) – report entitled ["Audit & Scrutiny Committee Annual Report"](#)

Audit and Scrutiny Committee of 30 October 2025 (Item 12) – report entitled ["HRA Financial Performance 2025/26 as at June 2025"](#)

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