REPORT TO: DUNDEE, PERTH, ANGUS AND NORTH FIFE

STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLANNING AUTHORITY
JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING ON 21ST FEBRUARY 2017

REPORT ON: REVISED DEVELOPMENT PLAN SCHEME

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1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report asks members to approve the new Development Plan Scheme, which focuses on the Strategic Development Plan examination and approval process and the early consideration of preparing for the next Plan.

2.0 SUMMARY

2.1 This report sets out the Revised Development Plan Scheme to be published in March 2017. The Development Plan Scheme provides an overview of the existing and proposed Development Plans within the TAYplan area in addition to an update on the current status of TAYplan's Proposed Strategic Development Plan. The scheme also sets out the authority's programme for preparing and reviewing the Strategic Development Plan and what is likely to be involved at each stage. No public consultation is scheduled in 2017/18.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Joint Committee:
 - a) Approve the revised Development Plan Scheme as set out in Appendix 1; and,
 - b) Delegate authority to TAYplan Manager to submit two copies of the Development Plan Scheme to the Scottish Government, as legally required.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The costs incurred from the production of the Development Plan Scheme will have a minimal financial implication. The financial implications of delivering the Participation Statement for the period of representations on the Proposed Plan will be met within the existing TAYplan budget (See Report SDPA03-2017).

5.0 DEVELOPMENT PLAN SCHEMES

5.1 Section 20B of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 requires each planning authority and Strategic Development Planning Authority to prepare a Development Plan Scheme and review at least annually.

- 5.2 Regulation 24 of the Development Planning Regulations 2008 requires the Development Plan Scheme to outline the proposed timetable, specifying the month the authority proposes to publish its Proposed Plan and when the Plan will be submitted to Scottish Ministers. Additionally, information must be provided on the required components at each stage of the Development Plan process.
- 5.3 Within the Scheme, there must be a Participation Statement which outlines when, how and with whom the period of representation on the Proposed Plan will take place as well as how it will be undertaken.
- 5.4 After the Scheme is adopted, the Act stipulates the requirement for copies to be published, two copies sent to Scottish Ministers and copies made available for viewing in public libraries. There is no requirement to consult on the content of Development Plan Schemes.

6.0 TAYplan DEVELOPMENT PLAN SCHEME 2017

- 6.1 The proposed Development Plan Scheme is set out in Appendix 1 of this Report. If approved, this will supersede the current Development Plan Scheme 2016. In brief, the Scheme provides information on:
 - Where TAYplan is and what it does;
 - Why we are producing a Strategic Development Plan;
 - An overview of the Strategic Development Plan process;
 - An updated timetable for completing the second Strategic Development Plan and early work on the third Strategic Development Plan; and
 - A review of the past year.
- 6.2 The Scheme provides an overview of the Strategic Development Plan process to date, including a review of the examination process and anticipated timescales for a decision to be made on the second Strategic Development Plan. The Scheme also highlights forthcoming work areas around the examination process, approval and publishing of the Action Programme and the associated monitoring of this document. Further work areas during the term of this Development Plan Scheme include commencing preparation of the Monitoring Statement and further consideration of the research areas required in developing the next Strategic Development Plan (pending conclusion of the Scottish Planning Review) and preparatory work around a potential pre-Main Issues Report consultation stage.

7.0 PARTICIPATION STATEMENT

7.1 The revised Development Plan Scheme sets out that whilst TAYplan remains committed to stakeholder and public engagement, there is no scheduled consultation in the period to March 2018.

8.0 CONSULTATIONS

8.1 TAYplan's Treasurer and Clerk; Angus Council's Director of Communities Directorate; Dundee City Council's Executive Director of City Development; Fife Council's Executive Director, Enterprise & Environment; and Perth & Kinross Council's Director (Environment) have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

9.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 9.1 Circular 6/2013: Development Planning, Scottish Government. (http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/0044/00441577.pdf)
- 9.2 Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006. (http://www.legislation.gov.uk/asp/2006/17/pdfs/asp_20060017_en.pdf)
- 9.3 Town & Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997. (http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1997/8)
- 9.4 Town & Country Planning (Development Planning) (Scotland) Regulations 2008. (http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2008/426/pdfs/ssi 20080426 en.pdf)
- 9.5 Planning Advice Note 3 'Community Engagement', 2010. (http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/Doc/322754/0103851.pdf)

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