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**Document Description:**

National guidance requires that the Chief Social Work Officer (CSWO) produces and publishes an annual summary report for local authorities and Integration Joint Boards (IJB) on the functions of the CSWO. The annual report provides an overview of how Social Work and Social Care services have continued to deliver quality support, whilst also responding to challenges across the wider public sector and social work specific landscape. As well as detailing highlights from throughout the year the report is also forward looking and identifies the key challenges and opportunities for 2021/22.

**Intended Outcome:**

To provide assurance to the local authority and IJB regarding the fulfilment of the functions of the CSWO and of developments and performance in Social Work and Social Care services.

**How will the proposal be monitored?:**

The CSWO produces and publishes a report on an annual basis, which is submitted to Committee for approval.

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## A. Equality and Diversity Impacts:

<b>Age:</b>	Positive
<b>Disability:</b>	Positive
<b>Gender Reassignment:</b>	Not Known
<b>Marriage and Civil Partnership:</b>	Not Known
<b>Pregnancy and Maternity:</b>	Positive
<b>Race/Ethnicity:</b>	Not Known
<b>Religion or Belief:</b>	Not Known
<b>Sex:</b>	Positive
<b>Sexual Orientation:</b>	Not Known

### Equality and diversity Implications:

The report evidences a range of ways in which social care and social work services have supported improved outcomes for the most vulnerable people in Dundee. This includes performance in public protection services.

### Proposed Mitigating Actions:

None required.

### Is the proposal subject to a full EQIA? : No

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## B. Fairness and Poverty Impacts:

### Geography

<b>Strathmartine (Ardler, St Mary's and Kirkton):</b>	Positive
<b>Lochee(Lochee/Beechwood, Charleston and Menzieshill):</b>	Positive
<b>Coldside(Hilltown, Fairmuir and Coldside):</b>	Positive
<b>Maryfield(Stobswell and City Centre):</b>	Positive
<b>North East(Whitfield, Fintry and Mill O' Mains):</b>	Positive
<b>East End(Mid Craigie, Linlathen and Douglas):</b>	Positive

**The Ferry:** Positive

**West End:** Positive

### Household Group

<b>Lone Parent Families:</b>	Positive
<b>Greater Number of children and/or Young Children:</b>	Positive
<b>Pensioners - Single/Couple:</b>	Positive
<b>Single female households with children:</b>	Positive
<b>Unskilled workers or unemployed:</b>	Positive
<b>Serious and enduring mental health problems:</b>	Positive
<b>Homeless:</b>	Positive
<b>Drug and/or alcohol problems:</b>	Positive

<b>Offenders and Ex-offenders:</b>	Positive
<b>Looked after children and care leavers:</b>	Positive
<b>Carers:</b>	Positive

**Significant Impact**

<b>Employment:</b>	Positive
<b>Education and Skills:</b>	Positive
<b>Benefit Advice/Income Maximisation:</b>	Positive
<b>Childcare:</b>	Positive
<b>Affordability and Accessibility of services:</b>	Positive

**Fairness and Poverty Implications:**

The report demonstrates how social care and social work services are delivered across Dundee to groups within the population who experience poverty, exclusion and inequalities. The services delivered support improved outcomes for services users, carers and their wider communities.

**Proposed Mitigating Actions:**

None required.

## **C. Environmental Impacts**

### **Climate Change**

<b>Mitigating greenhouse gases:</b>	Not Known
<b>Adapting to the effects of climate change:</b>	Not Known

### **Resource Use**

<b>Energy efficiency and consumption:</b>	Not Known
<b>Prevention, reduction, re-use, recovery or recycling waste:</b>	Not Known
<b>Sustainable Procurement:</b>	Not Known

### **Transport**

<b>Accessible transport provision:</b>	Not Known
<b>Sustainable modes of transport:</b>	Not Known

### **Natural Environment**

<b>Air, land and water quality:</b>	Not Known
<b>Biodiversity:</b>	Not Known
<b>Open and green spaces:</b>	Not Known

### **Built Environment**

<b>Built Heritage:</b>	Not Known
<b>Housing:</b>	Not Known

### **Is the proposal subject to Strategic Environmental Assessment**

No further action is required as it does not qualify as a Plan, Programme or Strategy as defined by the Environment Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005.

### **Proposed Mitigating Actions:**

None required.

### **Environmental Implications:**

No identifiable implications.

## **D. Corporate Risk Impacts**

### **Corporate Risk Implications:**

The risk implications associated with the subject matter of this report are 'business as normal' risks. The subject matter is routine and has happened many times before without significant loss. There is comfort that the risks inherent within the activity are either transferred to another party, shared equally and fairly between the Council and another party or are negligible.

### **Corporate Risk Mitigating Actions:**