## **Local Government Partnership Scheme – Annual Report 2017 - 2018**

#### **PURPOSE**

1. To ratify the Local Government Partnership Scheme Annual Report for the financial year 2017-18.

#### **BACKGROUND**

- 2. Section 73 of the Government of Wales Act 2006 ("the Act") prescribes that the Welsh Ministers must make a scheme setting out how they propose to sustain and promote local government in Wales. The current Local Government Partnership Scheme was published in 2017.
- 3. Section 73 of the Act also requires the Welsh Ministers to publish a report of how the proposals set out in the Scheme were implemented in each financial year. This report does so for the financial year 2017 -18.

#### DISCUSSION

- 4. The Annual Report has already been agreed at official level and in partnership between Welsh Government and Welsh Local Government Association officials.
- 5. The Annual Report is being tabled today and members are being invited to submit written comments to the Partnership Council Secretariat by 4 October.

## **ACTION**

6. Once the Annual Report has been finalised, it will be laid before the National Assembly for Wales and then published on the Welsh Government website.

# **Transformation and Partnerships Division Welsh Government**

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