

DUNBARTONSHIRE AND ARGYLL & BUTE VALUATION JOINT BOARD

Report by Assessor & Electoral Registration Officer

Valuation Joint Board – 21 November 2014

Subject: Public Sector Equality Duty – Improving Equality Outcomes Project

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 To seek members approval of replacement Equality Outcomes for implementation in the Valuation Joint Board.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 At its meeting on 14th June 2013 the Valuation Joint Board approved a 'Public Sector Equality Duty' Report for implementation within the Joint Board.
- 2.2 This Report contained the Board's response to a number of duties arising out of The Equality Act 2010 (Specific Duties) (Scotland) Regulations 2012. One of the duties was to publish equality outcomes and report on progress.
- 2.3 In May 2014 the Board was one of a number of authorities invited by the Equalities and Human Rights Commission to take part in an 'Improving Equality Outcomes Project'.

3.0 Progress

- 3.1 The Depute Assessor has worked closely with members of the Commission's staff in an effort to identify improved outcomes that are measurable and relevant.
- 3.2 The two proposed outcomes have been approved by the Commission's staff and progress towards these will be reported on at future Board meetings.
- 3.3 The two new outcomes will replace the previously approved outcomes and are found at pages 25 – 28 of the attached revised Public Sector Equality Duty report.

4.0 Recommendations

- 4.1 It is recommended that the Board approves the attached revised Public Sector Equality Duty report.
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