



North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership
Minute of virtual Integration Joint Board meeting held on
Thursday 18 March 2021 at 10.00 a.m.

Present

Councillor Robert Foster, North Ayrshire Council (Chair)
Bob Martin, NHS Ayrshire and Arran (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Timothy Billings, North Ayrshire Council
Adrian Carragher, NHS Ayrshire and Arran
Councillor Anthea Dickson, North Ayrshire Council
Jean Ford, NHS Ayrshire and Arran
John Rainey, NHS Ayrshire and Arran
Councillor John Sweeney, North Ayrshire Council

Caroline Cameron, Director
Eleanor Currie, Interim Section 95 Officer (IJB)/Principal Manager (Finance)
Dr Calum Morrison, Acute Services Representative
Alistair Reid, Lead Allied Health Professional Adviser

David Donaghey, Staff Representative (NHS Ayrshire and Arran)
Louise McDaid, Staff Representative (North Ayrshire Council)
Clive Shephard, Service User Representative
Glenda Hanna, Independent Sector Representative
Vicki Yuill, Third Sector Representative
Louise Gibson, IJB Irvine Locality Forum (Chair)

In Attendance

Alison Sutherland, Head of Service (Children, Families and Justice)
Thelma Bowers, Head of Service (Mental Health)
Michelle Sutherland, Partnership Facilitator
Neil McLaughlin, Manager (Performance and Information Systems)
Mhairi Kennedy, NHS Ayrshire and Arran
Dr. Morag Henderson
Karen Andrews, Team Manager (Governance)
Angela Little, Committee Services Officer
Euan Gray, Committee Services Officer
Hayley Clancy, Committee Services Officer

Apologies for Absence

Dr. Louise Wilson, GP Representative
Graham Searle, Carers Representative
Janet McKay, Chair, Garnock Valley HSCP Locality Forum
Marie McWaters, Carers Representative

1. Chair's Remarks

The Chair welcomed Mhairi Kennedy and Louise Gibson to the meeting. Mhairi has joined the NHS Board and Louise is now the Chair of Irvine Locality Planning Forum.

As a result of changes to the NHS Board, Jean Ford will be standing down from the IJB and her role as Chair of the Performance and Audit Committee. The Chair took the opportunity to thank Jean for her contribution to the work of the Partnership.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest in terms of Standing Order 7.2 and Section 5.14 of the Code of Conduct for Members of Devolved Public Bodies.

3. Minutes/Action Note

The accuracy of the Minutes of the meeting held on 11 February 2021 were confirmed and the Minutes signed in accordance with Paragraph 7 (1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

4. Director's Report

Submitted report on developments within the North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership.

The report provided an update on the following areas:-

- Online Apply with Conviction workshops;
- Extreme Team : Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services;
- Funding to Reduce Drug Deaths;
- New Facebook Group for those living with a Sensory Impairment;
- Baby Friendly Initiative;
- Recruitment – Care at Home; and
- Covid Update, included information on vaccinations, testing, staff testing and care home visiting.

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to:-

- The Care Home Academy that provides access to further education and accredited courses; and
- A report to a future meeting on additional funding to reduce drugs deaths.

Noted.

5. Appointments

Submitted report by Caroline Cameron, Director of (NAHSCP) on changes to the membership of various NHS Committees that has resulted in a change to the NHS representation on the IJB. Jean Ford would be standing down from the IJB and also her role as Chair of the Performance and Audit Committee. Mhairi Kennedy had been appointed to the NHS Board and nominated to replace Jean on the IJB and as the Chair of the Performance and Audit Committee.

The report also detailed the appointment of Louise Gibson as Chair of the Irvine Locality Planning Forum.

The Board agreed to (a) note (i) the changes to the NHS Board and their appointments to the IJB and IJB Performance and Audit Committee; and (ii) the appointment of Louise Gibson as Chair of the Irvine Locality Planning Forum; and (b) endorse the appointment of Louise Gibson to the IJB as the Chair of Irvine Locality Planning Forum.

6. Financial Performance

Submitted report by Eleanor Currie, Interim Section 95 Officer on the financial position of the North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership.

Appendix A to the report provided the financial overview of the partnership position, with detailed analysis provided in Appendix B. An overview of the savings plan was provided at Appendix C. Appendix D outlined the movement in the overall budget position for the partnership following the initial approved budget and the local finance mobilisation plan submission was provided at Appendix E to the report.

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to further additional funding from the Scottish Government for use in future years, outlined in Section 1.4 of the report, and the expectation that IJB's will carry forward funds in reserve.

The Board agreed to note (a) the overall integrated financial performance report for the financial year 2020-21 and the overall projected year-end underspend of £3.497m at period 10 (following Covid-19 funding); (b) the further funding received during 2020-21 to be earmarked in line with the purposes of the funding allocations; (c) the updated estimated costs of the Covid mobilisation plan of £10.211m, including savings delays, and the full funding received; and (d) the remaining financial risks for 2020-21, including the impact of remaining Covid-19 estimates and costs.

7. IJB 2021/22 Budget

Submitted report by Eleanor Currie, Interim Section 95 Officer on the financial position for the Partnership for 2021/22, including the proposed delegated funding, service budget pressures, plans developed to set a balanced budget and associated risks. A summary of the 2021/22 budget and net budget increase was detailed at Appendix A. Appendix B provided details of the service costs and demand pressures. Savings in relation to NAC and NHS commissioned services was outlined at Appendix C and Appendix D provided the NHS baseline uplift for 2021/22. The budget and finance settlement funding letters detailing the requirements in relation to the level of funding to be delegated to IJBs in 2021/22 was detailed at Appendix C to the report.

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to:-

- Agreements on the pay award and National Care Home contracts that is expected in the summer 2021;
- Repayment to the Council of £1.486m in 2020/21 and each year until full repayment;
- The use of reserves to balance the budget;
- The Challenge Fund of £500,00 and how to use this to achieve longer term savings, such as investing in technology;

- An uplift for mental health services of 1.5%, in line with other services;
- The inclusion of Covid recovery for mental health services in the Health Board's Mobilisation Plan and a request for £1.9m to cover pan-Ayrshire mental health services recovery; and
- Work to assess the impact of the national reduction in funding for Justice Services and a report that will be provided to the May meeting.

The Board agreed to (a) approve the budget for 2021-22 for North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership inclusive of all pressures and savings, noting that the funding position is subject to confirmation by NHS AA; (b) approve the proposed use of reserves as set out in section 3.4, including £1.116m of IJB general fund reserves to balance the budget for 2021-22 on a non-recurring basis; (c) accept the delegation of financial responsibility for the rehabilitation wards at the Ayrshire Central Site (Douglas Grant and Redburn) from 1 April 2021; and (d) approve the removal of charges for residential respite services

Louise McDaid left the meeting at this point.

8 Young Person Suicide Support Pathway

Submitted report by Roseanne Burns, Senior Manager, Children and Families on the updated Young Person's Suicide Support Pathway, presented by Alison Sutherland, Head of Service (Head of Service (Children, Families and Justice)). The internal pathway and process developed to respond to any attempted suicide by a young person was attached as an Appendix to the report.

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to:-

- The inclusion within the flowchart diagram of young people who are admitted to hospital and who may not have a medical reason for admission
- The role of the CAMHS Intensive Support Team within the Paediatric Ward and work by the CAMHS Team with Children's Services to ensure the follow up is more robust;
- Work underway by the Distress Pathway Group on young people who are admitted to hospital and implementation on 1 April 2021 of a new pathway for frequent attendees to the Emergency Department.

The Board acknowledged and commended the excellent work of the team.

Noted.

9 Records Management Plan

Submitted report by Julie Davis, Principal Manager Business Administration on the proposed response to the Keeper of the Records of Scotland's Interim Report on North Ayrshire IJB'S Records Management Plan. The Interim Report was attached as an appendix to the report and included the further information and evidence requested.

The Board agreed to (a) approve the response to the Keeper of the Records of Scotland's Interim Report; and (b) otherwise note the report.

10 Strategic Risk Register

Submitted report by Eleanor Currie, Interim S95 Officer on the updated Strategic Risk Register. Appendix A detailed the current Strategic Risk Register and an extract of the approved risk management strategy was attached at Appendix B to the report.

The Board agreed to approve the updated IJB Strategic Risk Register.

11 Strategic Bridging Plan 2021/22

Submitted report by Michelle Sutherland (Strategic Planning and Transformation Lead) on the Strategic Bridging Plan and Summary Strategic Building Plan to IJB. The Strategic Bridging Plan 2021/22 was attached at Appendix 1 and the Summary Plan was provided at Appendix 2 to the report.

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to the predominately female workforce and the addition of visuals within the plan to represent workforce equality.

The Board agreed to approve the full and summary Strategic Bridging Plans for publication in April 2021.

12 Action 15 Funding Proposal

Submitted report by Thelma Bowers, Head of Service (Mental Health) providing an update on the implementation plan progress and the outcomes of the options appraisal for Year 4 funding.

The Board agreed to (a) note implementation plan progress; and (b) approve the outcome of the options appraisal for Year 4 funding.

13 IJB PAC Minutes

Submitted the Minutes of the IJB PAC meeting held on 27 November 2020.

Noted.

14 SPG Minutes

Submitted the Minutes of the Strategic Planning Group held on 25 January 2021.

The Board was advised that attendance had dropped, and officers will work on encouraging attendance at future meetings.

Noted.

The meeting ended at 11.45 a.m.