



**North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership**  
**Minute of Integration Joint Board meeting held on**  
**Thursday 14 December 2023 at 10.00 a.m.**  
**involving participation by remote electronic means and physical attendance**  
**within the Council Chambers, Irvine.**

**Present (Physical Participation)**

*Voting Members*

Councillor Margaret Johnson, North Ayrshire Council (Chair)  
Tom Hopkins, NHS Ayrshire and Arran

*Professional Advisers*

Caroline Cameron, Director of Health and Social Care Partnership  
Paul Doak, Head of Service (HSCP Finance and Transformation)/Section 95 Officer  
Thelma Bowers, Mental Health Adviser  
Darren Fullarton, Associate Nurse Director/Lead Nurse  
Scott Hunter, Chief Social Work Officer  
Sharon Hackney, Lead Allied Health Professional  
Elaine Young, Public Health Representative

*Stakeholder Representatives*

Louise McDaid, Staff Representative (North Ayrshire Council)/Chair, North Coast  
Locality Forum

**Present (Remote Participation)**

*Voting Members*

Councillor Timothy Billings, North Ayrshire Council  
Marc Mazzucco, NHS Ayrshire and Arran  
Christie Fisher, NHS Ayrshire and Arran

**In Attendance (Physical Participation)**

Kerry Logan, Head of Service (Health and Community Care)  
Elizabeth Stewart, Head of Service (Children, Families and Criminal Justice)  
Joanne Inglis, Senior Manager (Children and Families)  
Eleanor Currie, Principal Manager, (Finance)  
Karen Andrews, Team Manager (Governance)  
Shannon Wilson, Committee Services Officer  
Hayley Clancy, Committee Services Officer

**Apologies**

Councillor Anthea Dickson, North Ayrshire Council  
Joyce White, NHS Ayrshire and Arran (Vice-Chair)  
Pamela Jardine, Carers Representative  
Iain Jamieson, Clinical Director  
Wendy Van Riet, Director or Psychological Services

Aileen Craig, IJB Monitoring Officer

## 1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were noted.

## 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

The accuracy of the Minutes of the meeting held on 16 November 2023 were confirmed and the Minutes signed in accordance with Paragraph 7(10) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

### 3.1 Matters Arising from the Action Note

Updates in terms of the Action Note were detailed as follows: -

- **Implementation of the National CAMHS and Neurodevelopmental Specifications** – On agenda for the meeting.
- **Director's Report: Community Mental Health Fund** – TBC
- **Director's Report: Audit Scotland report** - Update scheduled for February 2024.
- **Chief Social Work Officer Annual Report: Justice Services Update** – Update to be brought early 2024.
- **External Audit Financial Report:** Incorporated into the financial monitoring report on the agenda.

## 4. Director's Report

Submitted report by Caroline Cameron, Director (NAHSCP) on the developments within the North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership.

The report provided an update on the following areas: -

- Scotland's Self Harm Strategy and Action Plan (2023-2027) published on 28 November 2023;
- Letter to the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee from Maree Todd, MSP Minister for Social Care, Mental Wellbeing and Sport in response to Stage 1 Scrutiny of the Bill., with a copy of the letter available on the Scottish Parliament website: [National Care Service \(parliament.scot\)](https://www.parliament.scot/national-care-service);
- Maree Todd, MSP Minister for Social Care, Mental Wellbeing, and Sport also written to the Convenor of the Health and Sport committee to provide an update on the recommendations from the Coming Home report which was published in February 2022;
- MAPPA Annual Report 2022-23 for the South West Scotland area has now been published on the [MAPPA Annual Report \(nahscp.org\)](https://www.nahscp.org);
- Audit Scotland currently carrying out an audit of drug and alcohol services in Scotland with the scope published on the Audit Scotland website: [Drug and Alcohol services - audit scope | Audit Scotland \(audit-scotland.gov.uk\)](https://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk). The overall aim of the performance audit was to consider how effective Scotland's

drug and alcohol services are in delivering on the Scottish Government's strategies;

- A group of six clients of North Ayrshire's Unpaid Work team received recognition certificates from the Koestler Awards for their original artworks, with one participant also receiving a Highly Commended certificate for this unique wooden birdhouse;
- North Ayrshire Adult Protection, Children Protection and Alcohol and Drug Partnership teams have a new joint Facebook page, to share information on the work being carried out locally to protect people and what to do if someone is at risk from harm;
- Carers Rights Day event held at West Kilbride Village Hall to launch the expanded North Ayrshire Carers Gateway service and was attended by carers, staff of the Carers Gateway and NAHSCP, representatives from Third Sector organisations, North Ayrshire Provost Anthea Dickson and North Ayrshire Carers Champion Councillor Nairn McDonald. The event offered a chance to network, hear more about the service and find out more about additional sources of support locally;
- the innovative new group for North Ayrshire's Recovery Development Workers was established and met for the first time on 8 November;
- the unannounced inspection between 24 October and 3 November 2023 of the North Ayrshire Irvine, Garnock Valley Care at Home and Community Alarm Service, the service received the following grades 4 and 5 rated Good and Very Good; and
- The Care Inspectorate also conducted an unannounced inspection of the Dementia Support Service on 22 November 2023. This was a pilot inspection to test a new way of providing assurance that better performing, lower risk services are continuing to provide good quality care and support. No grades were awarded following this inspection however, inspectors concluded that the previous evaluation of good for the service was maintained.

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

- the national care service bill proposals and the impact on the scheme of integration review; and
- the establishment of a National Care Service Board and the impact on the IJB.

Noted.

## **5. 2023 – 2024 Month 7 Financial Performance**

Submitted report by Paul Doak, Head of Service (HSCP Finance and Transformation), on the IJB's financial performance as at month 7 (November). Appendix A to the report detailed the Objective Summary as at 31 October 2023, Appendix B provided the financial savings tracker and the budget position was set out at Appendix C.

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

- the recent Childrens Services Fostering Campaign on social media;
- financial position by the end of March 2024; and
- the financial position of the Partnership compared to other IJB's.

The Board agreed to (a) note (i) the overall integrated financial performance report for the financial year 2023-24 and the current overall projected yearend overspend of £3.858m, (ii) the progress with delivery of agreed savings and (iii) the remaining

financial risks for 2023-24; and (b) approve the budget reductions set out at section 2.10 of the report.

**6. Progress update on Implementation of the National Neurodevelopment Specification, Neurodevelopment Extreme Team and North Ayrshire Implementation Group programme of Reform**

Submitted report by Thelma Bowers, Head of Service (Mental Health) on the National Neurodevelopment Specification, Neurodevelopment Extreme Team and North Ayrshire Implementation Group programme of Reform.

Members asked a question and were provided with further information in relation to a Single Point of Contact for the whole of Ayrshire and the reason this model was not taken forward.

Noted.

**7. Whistleblowing Report Quarter 2 July – 30 September 2023**

Submitted report by Karen Callaghan, Corporate Governance Co-ordinator, in relation to whistleblowing concerns raised in Quarter 2 (July – 30 September 2023).

Noted.

The meeting ended at 11.05 a.m.

## North Ayrshire Integration Joint Board – Action Note

Updated following the meeting on 14 December 2023

No.	Agenda Item	Date of Meeting	Action	Status	Officer
1.	Director's Report	12/10/23	Communities Mental Health Fund - The Impact Report for Year 1 and Interim Report for Year 2 to a future meeting.	Scheduled for May 2024.	Vicky Yuill
2.	Director's Report	12/10/23	Audit Scotland report for the Auditor General of Scotland and the Accounts Commission on Access to Mental Health Services - a report would be brought to a future meeting to consider the recommendations	Scheduled for May 2024.	Thelma Bowers
3.	Chief Social Work Officer Annual Report 2022/2023	12/10/23	Justice Services update report to be brought to a future meeting.	Scheduled for June 24	Elizabeth Stewart