

Meeting of South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership	Integration Joint Board	
Held on:	12th November 2025	
Agenda Item:	5	
Title:	Chief Officer's Update	
Summary:		
<p>This report provides an update to the South Ayrshire Integration Joint Board on behalf of the Chief Officer on items that do not merit a full report, but the Board may wish to note. Topics covered in this report include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Appointment of Director for South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership ii. Appointment of Head of Service for Community Health and Care Services iii. NHS Ayrshire and Arran Chief Executive Annual Conference, 30th October 2025 iv. Ageing Well Event, 8th October 2025 v. Inspection of Reablement Services vi. Care Experience Week 2025 vii. Additional Funding for GP Practices 		
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It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Consider the content of this report and offer any reflections. 		
Route to meeting:		
This is a report for IJB only.		
Directions:		Implications:
1. No Directions Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Financial <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Directions to NHS Ayrshire & Arran <input type="checkbox"/>		HR <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Directions to South Ayrshire Council <input type="checkbox"/>		Legal <input type="checkbox"/>
4. Directions to both SAC & NHS <input type="checkbox"/>		Equalities <input type="checkbox"/>
		Sustainability <input type="checkbox"/>
		Policy <input type="checkbox"/>
		ICT <input type="checkbox"/>

CHIEF OFFICER'S UPDATE REPORT

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report provides an update to the South Ayrshire Integration Joint Board on behalf of the Chief Officer on items that do not merit a full report, but the Board may wish to note.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board:

- i. **Considers the content of this report and offers any reflections.**

3. REPORT

Appointment of Director for South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership

- 3.1 Mark Inglis has been appointed as the Director of the South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership following an intensive 2-day assessment centre and panel interview process.
- 3.2 Mark will take up this new role from Monday 10th November following over six years in post as as Head of Children's Health, Care and Justice services with South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership.
- 3.3 The recruitment process to appoint a new Head of Service to the vacated post is now underway.

Appointment of Head of Service for Community Health and Care

- 3.4 Stewart Marshall has been appointed as our new Head of Community Health and Care Services in South Ayrshire following a recruitment process.
- 3.5 Stewart has been the Interim Head of Community Health and Care Services following the departure of Billy McClean in July this year, stepping up from his substantive role as Senior Locality Manager for Maybole and Girvan.

NHS Ayrshire and Arran Chief Executive Annual Conference, 30th October 2025

- 3.6 The Directorate Management Team for South Ayrshire along with colleagues from East and North HSCP's and NHS Ayrshire and Arran attended the Chief Executive Conference, Delivering Caring for Ayrshire on Thursday 30th October.

- 3.7 This event was programmed to revitalise the 'Caring for Ayrshire' agenda. Well attended, this was an opportunity to share learning and engage with teams across the whole of Ayrshire around health, care and support services. There was series of exercises outlining the now, the future and the how do we get there which produced lots of discussion. The event was led by Professor Gordon James, who will lead on the collation and sharing of the feedback.

Ageing Well in South Ayrshire, 8th October 2025

- 3.8 The annual Ageing Well in South Ayrshire event, hosted by Voluntary Action South Ayrshire (VASA), was held on Wednesday 8th October at Walker Hall in Troon.
- 3.9 This event marked the third annual celebration of our Ageing Well work and an opportunity to provide an update on the work which has taken place over the last year and set the scene for the year ahead.
- 3.10 There were a number of presentations at the event including an update on the Ageing Well Action Plan, the role of Technology Enabled Care for Ageing Well and the work of Connect South Ayrshire.

Inspection of Reablement Services

- 3.11 The Care Inspectorate carried out an unannounced inspection of the integrated reablement service between 1st and 4th September 2025. The inspection focused on:
- How well do we support people's wellbeing?
 - How good is our staff team?
- 3.12 The services were evaluated as a 5 (very good) in both areas. Key messages from the inspection include:
- Staff built strong, caring relationships with people using the service, which positively impacted their wellbeing.
 - People felt respected and supported by staff who were described as professional, cheerful, and compassionate.
 - Support plans were person-centred and accessible.
 - Health concerns were responded to promptly, with good collaboration between carers and health professionals.
 - Staff felt valued, well trained and supported by their managers and colleagues.
- 3.13 The outcome of the inspection is a reflection of the dedication, professionalism and commitment of staff teams in delivering a high-quality service.

Care Experienced Week 2025

- 3.14 Care Experienced Week takes place at the end of October every year. It is a week to celebrate the Care Experienced community and provide opportunities for our members to connect with each other.

- 3.15 As part of the programme of events we hosted our annual celebration evening at Ayrshire College on Tuesday 28th October 2025. The event was well attended and provided an opportunity for care experienced young people to come together and find out about a range of supports which are available.
- 3.16 The event was coordinated by the Champions Board and the Participation team who facilitated the proceedings on the night. The event also provided an opportunity for networking for services across South Ayrshire.

Additional Funding for GP Practices

- 3.17 Additional funding for GP practices which has been announced by the Scottish Government. A total of just under £250M, to strengthen capacity and resilience in the community in line with the patients accessing the right care, at the right time in the right place. The funding has been redirected from other current funding sources across the Health and Social Care Partnership Portfolio. The funding will be for workforce, expenses, digital systems and quality improvement to support practices to modernise service delivery and actively support the ambitions of the Service Renewal Framework (add the link) and the Population Health Framework (again add the link). We are not yet informed of the allocations which will be available to South Ayrshire.
- 3.18 The funding will be distributed in a phased approach, with £15M in the 25/26 year which will be directed to workforce.

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