

Meeting of South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership	Integration Joint Board
Held on:	10th June 2026
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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wellbeing Pledge event 2. Internal Audit – Community Equipment Store 3. Section 95 Officer – statutory requirement assurance 4. The Big Kick Aff Walking Football Tournament 5. What matters to you roadshow series 6. SAHSCP – Podiatry team shortlisting for national award 7. Teeny Carers, Big Hearts 	
Author:	Mark Inglis, Director of Health & Social Care - HSCP
It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board:	
<ol 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"/>
5. <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

- 3.1 **Wellbeing Pledge:** I am delighted to start this update report with a reflection on the most recent 'Wellbeing Pledge' event which was held on the 22nd May. Attended by staff from across all sections of the HSCP, this is our annual chance to reflect on the really positive progress made, to celebrate our success as a collective and to recognise the significant contribution our staff make introducing improvements across our culture, services and public reputation. The church hall in Main Street, Ayr was a hub of activity with stall holders from a wide range of services sharing their own contributions to how we '**start well, live well and age well**'. Breakout rooms offered workshops on our values, Wellbeing, Frailty and shortened versions of Tommy Whitelaw's "what matters to you".
- 3.2 We were entertained by the Vibrant Voices' choir during the lunch break with songs that reminded us of Scottish heritage including a hearty rendition of "Donald where's yer troosers" – one of the Head of Childrens Health and Justice Services favourite. The event for next year is already being thought out and I want to congratulate the team for putting such a joyful, celebratory event together.
- 3.3 **Internal Audit – Community Equipment Store:** NHS Ayrshire and Arran have conducted an Internal Audit on our Community Equipment Store. The Audit report was presented to Ayrshire and Arran Audit and Risk committee on 19th May 2026 and details the findings of the report rating of Amber – Significant Improvement Required. Whilst assured that actions raised have been accepted and activity is underway to address the issues identified, I confirm that the report in full will be presented to South Ayrshire Performance and Audit Committee in August and brought to the IJB in September. Performance and Audit Committee will subsequently receive updates against the progress made for assurance.
- 3.4 Many of the issues are of a consequence of lack of automated systems and application of best practice managing and reporting against stock effectively. The role of the co-ordinator is anticipated to bring improvements across a

number of areas which will need backed up with support including removing key person dependencies which have been highlighted in the report.

- 3.5 On the 26th May I attended South Ayrshire’s Cabinet with Stewart Marshall and Lisa Duncan, seeking Cabinet approval over the following papers; Self Directed Support 2026-27, Social Care Day Care Charging Implementation, Social Care Charging Policy and Social Care Charging Increases 2026-27, which are all added to the IJB agenda this month for noting. I was very grateful for the support from Cabinet and in particular Councillor Hunter as our Portfolio holder who supported us in having these reports agreed. This agreement enables us to now deliver on the financial recovery plan which is within our budget and which will support our budget pressures, individuals and groups effected will be written to this month to explain the introduction of these charges and polices.”
- 3.6 **Section 95 Officer – Statutory Requirement Assurance for South Ayrshire HSCP:** I wanted to highlight that following an Audit Scotland report into Strirling and Clackmannanshire IJB’s securing a Section 95 Officer, published in March that I have raised this at a local level with the Council’s S95 Officer and the Chief Executive Officer. Assurance has been given that a temporary secondment would, if needed, be put in place with immediate effect if the IJB Section 95 officer was unable to attend to her duties for any extended period. Depending on the circumstances, there may require a formal recruitment process which would be undertaken by South Ayrshire Council.
- 3.7 **The Big Kick Aff:** An event which hopefully opens up opportunity for any budding Kenny Dalgliesh or Dennis Law took place on the 5th June at Ayr United Community Pitch (10am – 1pm). The event has been sponsored by Believe Ayrshire who will be hosting a prize giving ceremony.
- 3.8 **What matters to you roadshow series:** Tommy Whitelaw, National Lead for Person Centred Voices has been supporting our staff with a series of roadshows asking them “What matters to you?”. Tommy has travelled the world presenting his lived experiences for caring for his mother and the impact of supporting a loved one with dementia. He touches on kindness, listening, understanding and remembering the journey of life that people experience.
- 3.9 His roadshow is provoking, enriched with humanity, honesty and humbleness and gives staff a safe and trusted environment to reflect and consider their own practice and how that may present to others when they are facing difficult times in their life.
- 3.10 **South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership Podiatry team:** I am delighted that our staff recognition efforts have again resulted in a nomination and subsequent shortlisting for a national Royal College of Podiatry Award. These awards recognise individuals and teams making a positive difference through leadership, innovation, high quality care and collaborations. Fingers and toes (pardon the pun) crossed for our nominees.

- 3.11 **Teeny Carers Big Hearts;** The launch of our Teeny Carer Support Service will be held on 9th June at 10am, Ayr Town Hall. This is a pioneering initiative focussing on children under 5 who have caring roles. This event marks an important opportunity to extend our support to families by recognising our youngest carers and making the right care, at the right time available to them. Further updates will be brought to the IJB when available.

REPORT AUTHOR AND PERSON TO CONTACT

Name: Sheila Tyeson, Senior Manager, Planning and Performance

Email address: sheila.tyeson@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

1st June 2026