

Meeting of South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership	Integration Joint Board		
Held on	23rd June 2021		
Agenda Item:	5		
Title:	Chief Officer's update report		
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"> a) COVID-19 Response, Recovery and Mobilisation b) Strategic Plan launch and website c) South Ayrshire Parenting Promise d) Quality Assurance Framework update e) Strategic Planning Advisory Group f) Summer recess briefings 			
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Recommendations:			
It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board:			
i. Considers the content of this report and offer any reflections			
Route to meeting:			
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 REPORT

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

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2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board

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3. REPORT

3.1 Topics for noting are detailed below.

COVID-19 Response, Recovery and Mobilisation

3.2 At the time of writing, the 7-day average rate is 250 new cases per 100,000 population in South Ayrshire. In keeping with the majority of Scotland's central belt, South Ayrshire remains in Level 2 COVID-19 restrictions. Level 2 measures still require staff to work from home where possible and physical distancing measures still apply in all service-delivery settings so the immediate impact on services of moving to Level 2 was minimal. There are however some services that are adapting their operating model over the coming weeks and these are detailed within the attached mobilisation tracker, which is provided at [Appendix 1](#) at the continued request of the IJB.

3.3 Most social work and OT staff continue to work from home with some staff accessing offices when required and under restricted measures. These arrangements will apply until restrictions reduce further. All council-employed desk-based staff (e.g. admin and business support) continue to work at home and we are participating fully in South Ayrshire Council's work to develop a Future Operating Model that meets future service needs.

3.4 The HSCP's Directorate Management Team (operational) continue to meet three times per week and consider collectively any changes to service delivery.

- 3.5 The HSCP continues to offer building-based day care to a limited number of people each day and we are providing a half-day session in order to maximise the service to those deemed at critical need. We continue to offer outreach and would hope to continue this model moving forward.
- 3.6 All services are planning how they can safely resume group work once easing of restrictions allow.

Strategic Plan Launch and Website

- 3.7 The Board will note that the IJB Strategic Plan (agreed March 2021) will be launched on 23rd June 2021 immediately prior to the formal IJB meeting. The online launch event will be an opportunity to bring IJB members, officers and partners together to celebrate the publication of the Plan and to promote the associated *South Ayrshire Wellbeing Pledge* and our strategic partnership agreement with VASA.
- 3.8 The Strategic Plan and associated materials will also be published on the HSCP's new website, launched on the same day. The link (<http://hscp.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/>) will go live on 23rd June and the website will be populated with further service information over the summer.
- 3.9 A launch of the Strategic Plan and our new website have been trailed online, particularly on social media with short videos being published to explain the role of the IJB and HSCP.

South Ayrshire Parenting Promise

- 3.10 The IJB is invited to note the update below on the *South Ayrshire Parenting Promise* (summarising a fuller update that went to the Strategic Planning Advisory Group).
- 3.11 South Ayrshire HSCP has made good progress on delivering the current Corporate Parenting Plan (reported to the Performance and Audit Committee). With the publication of the [Independent Care Review](#) findings and the incorporation of the [United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child](#) (UNCRC) into domestic law, it is a particularly relevant time to refresh the Corporate Parenting Plan with both [‘The Promise’](#) and the UNCRC underpinning the new Plan. This follows the publication of the IJB Strategic Plan, allowing for alignment to the HSCP's overall strategic objectives.
- 3.12 To demonstrate we are taking the fundamentals of The Promise seriously, we have decided to name our plan ‘South Ayrshire's Parenting Promise.’ This reflects the plan's close alignment with The Promise and the messages from children and young people on using more meaningful language.
- 3.13 The Writing Group has reviewed the current Plan, reviewed and shared the data their service holds on corporate parenting, shared ideas on layout, content and format and have had a strong focus on how to engage with stakeholders to

create a strategic document which people can identify with and feel a sense of ownership.

- 3.14 The Writing Group has now finalised the draft document. The document is written directly to young people and families in softer language and includes a 'key points' box at the end of each section to make it as accessible as possible. The final version of the document will be designed, and various versions will be available including an Easy Read version, an animation and an infographic summary.
- 3.15 Importantly, while basing the Plan on the needs of our local population, we have incorporated ['The Promise'](#) and the recently published [Plan 21-24](#). South Ayrshire's Parenting Promise aligns with the timeline of The Promise setting actions across short (2021-24), medium (2025-27) and long-term (2028-30) and will be reviewed every 3 years as set out in legislation with a clear emphasis on the actions aligned to the [Plan 21-24](#).
- 3.16 Following agreement by the Corporate Parenting Executive Group, the final draft will go out for formal consultation. Planning for the engagement exercise has begun and is being led by the expertise of the Champions Board. The methods we use to engage with people depends largely on when and how lockdown restrictions are eased but a variety of methods will be used to encourage as much participation as possible. Our partners are also supporting the engagement namely Employability and Skills, Community Learning and Development, the Virtual School Team and VASA. Engaging with children and young people with experience of care, families and carers will be at the forefront of the consultation. Engagement on the draft document is likely to last over the summer with the final version being approved after recess.
- 3.17 It will be important to know how well the implementation of the plan is progressing. Therefore, the implementation plan will include detail on measurable performance indicators and outcomes, agreed responsibilities with timescales, a clear reporting process, a feedback loop process that ensures the we learn along the way and enables it to change course when needed, and a plan for people with care experience and other stakeholders to continue to influence the plan (engagement is not just for the strategy development phase).

Quality Assurance Framework

- 3.18 Building on the Care Home Oversight Group arrangements developed within the HSCP over the past year to provide enhanced quality assurance for these services, the HSCP has been working to develop an overarching Quality Assurance Framework for all commissioned services within South Ayrshire.
- 3.19 This work has progressed well and an initial Framework has agreed been at operational level in consultation with a wide range of partners (including service providers) and involving the HSCP's clinical and care governance arrangements. The Framework will be trialled over the coming months in order to finalise processes and clarify resource requirements and a further report will be brought to the IJB for formal endorsement following this phase.

Strategic Planning Advisory Group

- 3.20 The Strategic Planning Advisory Group (SPAG) met on 15th June 2021 and a minute of the meeting will be noted at the next IJB meeting. IJB members may wish to note some of the items discussed at the 15th June meeting, including the agreement to revised arrangements for the link between the SPAG and Locality Planning Groups. The SPAG has a formal role in legislation to ensure Locality Planning is a part of the strategic planning and commissioning cycle of the IJB so a clear governance link is important. The SPAG agreed with Locality Planning Group chairs that two representatives would be nominated to each SPAG meeting to feed in views and experiences from the Locality Planning Groups.
- 3.21 It was also agreed at the SPAG that a Vice Chair should be appointed who would attend meetings of Locality Planning Group Chairs.
- 3.22 Other items discussed at SPAG included: Community Capacity Building; Community Wealth Building; the South Ayrshire Parenting Promise; and the Adult Learning Disability Strategy.

Summer recess briefings

- 3.23 Given the next meeting of the IJB will be in September 2021, it has been agreed that informal briefing sessions should be held over the summer recess for IJB members who wish to attend. These briefings will be held on **Wednesday 21st July at 2pm and Wednesday 18th August at 2pm, MS Teams** and offer the IJB an opportunity to be briefed on service developments (particularly with reference to COVID-19 remobilisation) and to cover a range of topics the IJB have agreed to receive briefings on.

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