

Meeting of South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership	Integrated Joint Board	
Held on	22nd September 2021	
Agenda Item:	7	
Title:	IJB Audited Annual Accounts 2020-21 and External Audit Report	
<p>Summary: The purpose of this report is to present the audited Annual Accounts for 2020-21 Appendix 1, to the IJB for approval, together with the signed Management Representation letter by the Chief Finance Officer Appendix 2 and to consider the External Auditor ISA 260 report Appendix 3, detailing the outcome of the Audit of the Annual Accounts and recommended action plan for improvement.</p>		
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<p>Recommendations:</p> <p>It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Considers and approves the Audited Accounts for 2020-21; ii. Notes the Management Representation letter; iii. Notes the content of the External Auditors report detailing the outcome of the audit and recommended actions for improvement; and iv. Notes the progress made to date on the recommended actions for improvement contained in the External Auditors report. 		
<p>Route to meeting: Unaudited Annual Accounts 2020-21 – IJB 23rd June 2021 Audited Annual Accounts and External Audit report presented to Performance and Audit Committee on the 20th of August and recommended to be approved by IJB on 22nd September 2021.</p>		
<p>Directions:</p> <p>1. No Directions Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>2. Directions to NHS Ayrshire & Arran <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>3. Directions to South Ayrshire Council <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>4. Directions to both SAC & NHS <input type="checkbox"/></p>		<p>Implications:</p> <p>Financial <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>HR <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Legal <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Equalities <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Sustainability <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Policy <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>ICT <input type="checkbox"/></p>

Audited Annual Accounts 2020-21

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to present the Audited Annual Accounts for 2020-21 to the IJB for approval, together with the signed Management Representation letter by the Chief Finance Officer and to consider the External Auditors ISA 260 report, detailing the outcome of the audit of the annual accounts and recommended action plan for improvement.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board:

- I. Considers and approves the Audited Accounts for 2020-21;**
- II. Notes the Management Representation letter;**
- III. Notes the content of the External Auditors report detailing the outcome of the audit and recommended actions for improvement; and**
- IV. Notes the progress made to date on the recommended actions for improvement contained in the External Auditors report.**

3. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The IJB is specified in legislation as a 'section 106' body under terms of Local Government Scotland Act 1972 and as such is expected to prepare annual accounts in compliance with the Code of Practice on Accounting for Local Authorities in the United Kingdom supported by International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), unless legislation or statutory guidance requires different treatment. The Local Authority (Scotland) Accounts Advisory Committee (LASAAC) issued Additional Guidance for the Integration of Health and Social Care on accounting for Covid Funding Streams and PPE. This guidance has been developed to support consistency of treatment and the appropriate implementation of financial reporting in relation to additional income and expenditure incurred in responding to the pandemic.
- 3.2 The IJB Members must consider the unaudited accounts at a meeting held no later than the 31st of August. The IJB, or a committee whose remit includes audit and governance must consider the audited accounts and aim to approve the Annual Accounts for signature no later than 30th of September, with publication no later than the 31st of October.
- 3.3 The unaudited annual accounts were presented to the IJB on the 23rd of June, published on South Ayrshire Council and South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership website for public inspection until the 31st of July.
- 3.4 The draft Annual Accounts 2020/21 were presented to the Audit and Performance Committee along with the external audit ISA 260 report on the 20th of August. Both reports are now presented to the IJB for formal approval. A copy of the management representation letter will be signed and passed to the

External Auditor following IJB approval of the Annual Accounts and is included as an appendix to this report.

4. REPORT

- 4.1 The annual reports and accounts of the IJB have been prepared in accordance with the appropriate legislation and guidance and are presented at Appendix 1.
- 4.2 The external audit report published by Deloitte's refers to historic performance, and provides an action plan for 2021-22 along with progress against prior year actions.
- 4.3 Actions fully implemented during the year include improvements to budget monitoring reports to reflect a RAG status made against approved savings. Review and implementation of Reserves Strategy was completed as part of the budget setting process for 2021-22. Chief Officers group continued monitoring of progress against recommendations from previous Significant Case Review, the role of this Group is now viewed as routine performance monitoring. Governance arrangements were reviewed in year with specific documents updated and training provided.
- 4.4 Actions requiring further work during 2021-22 include review and update of Medium-Term Financial Plan, review and update of the Integration Scheme, full review of Learning Disability Strategy and work to be undertaken in linking the IJB budget with expected outcomes.

5. STRATEGIC CONTEXT

- 5.1 The production and audit of the annual accounts is a statutory requirement.
- 5.2 The production of the annual accounts and management commentary contributes to the IJB strategic objective "to manage resources effectively, and make best use of our integrated capacity".

6. IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Financial Implications

- 6.1.1 The report explains the use of financial resources in 2020-21.

6.2 Human Resource Implications

- 6.2.1 There are no Human Resource Implications within this report.

6.3 Legal Implications

- 6.3.1 Production and audit of accounts is a statutory requirement.

6.4 Equalities implications

- 6.4.1 There are no equalities implications within this report.

6.5 Sustainability implications

- 6.5.1 There are no sustainability implications within this report.

6.6 Clinical/professional assessment

6.6.1 The accounts have been prepared by the Chief Finance Officer and audited by Deloitte within their professional capacity.

7. CONSULTATION AND PARTNERSHIP WORKING

7.1 The audited annual accounts have been prepared through joint working with South Ayrshire Council and NHS Ayrshire and Arran.

8. RISK ASSESSMENT

8.1. The IJB's financial position has been rated a medium risk by the Boards in its current Strategic Risk Register.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

Audited Annual Accounts

Management Representation Letter

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