

Meeting of South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership	Strategic Planning Advisory Group	
Held on	20TH April 2021	
Agenda Item:	5	
Title:	Locality Planning and representation on the Strategic Planning Advisory Group	
Summary: The purpose of this report is to clarify the formal links between Locality Planning Groups and the Strategic Planning Advisory Group (SPAG) and to arrive at an interim arrangement regarding representation from Locality Planning Groups on SPAG.		
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Recommendations: It is recommended that the Strategic Planning Advisory Group i. Agree an interim arrangement to maintain representation and links to Locality Planning Groups adopting one of the options set out in section 4.		
Route to meeting:		
Directions:		Implications:
1. No Directions Required	<input 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"/>

LOCALITY PLANNING AND REPRESENTATION ON STRATEGIC PLANNING ADVISORY GROUP

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

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2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the SPAG:

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3. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 Locality Planning forms a central part of the Joint Public Bodies (Joint Working (Scotland) Act 2014 setting out a statutory requirement for some form of Locality Planning arrangements with Health and Social Care Partnerships.
- 3.2 Locality Planning was developed in the early days of the South Ayrshire HSCP with 6 Localities and 6 Locality Planning Groups established.

The HSCP reviewed its Locality Planning arrangements in 2019.

The Locality Planning review reported to and was endorsed by SPAG and then subsequently the IJB in December 2019. It set out a number of recommended changes to the way Locality Planning was arranged and supported in South Ayrshire.

- 3.3 It was hoped to re-launch Locality Planning and develop refreshed Locality Planning Partnerships in Spring 2020.
- 3.4 With the onset of Covid, Locality Planning work was suspended as many staff were remitted with different tasks and responsibilities. Limited on-line meetings have taken place from August to February.

These have:

- Provided an opportunity to share relevant HSCP and wider information to existing group members
- Provide some context for engagement re Strategic Plan development
- Arrange limited Local Grants distribution

- Provide a space for wider networking and raising of issues

They have not provided any context to re-launch our Locality Planning work but really maintain some focus and presence. For the past year there has also only been one Engagement Officer in place with 2 vacancies now in process of recruitment.

3.5 The SPAG/IJB reports set out a range of recommended steps to strengthen Locality Planning but retained the 'reporting' of LPGs into the SPAG as well as the Strategic Delivery Partnership for Communities and Population Health under the Community Planning Partnership.

3.6 The Strategic Planning Advisory Group met for the first time in December 2020 in a slightly revised form with a more focused membership albeit without representation from Locality Planning Groups.

4. REPORT

4.1 At least as an interim approach, it is recommended that a clear reporting link to and from Locality Planning Groups to SPAG is established.

4.2 Previously, each Locality Planning Group had a nominated representative that formed part of the SPAG membership and their function was to report back from SPAG on salient issues and to provide SPAG with regular updating on Locality based activity.

4.3 Once a more fully re-launched set of arrangements for Locality Planning is in place the exact mechanics for representation/reporting could be revisited but as an interim approach the following might be options for the SPAG to discuss:

- Retaining the 6 Locality Planning SPAG representatives
- Asking the 6 LPGs to identify one or two representatives to represent 'Locality Planning' perspectives rather than 'Locality' perspectives
- Organise LPG Chairs/Vice Chair meetings in intervals that precedes SPAG meetings (for example 2 weeks before SPAG) where issues to be tabled in relation to Locality Planning can be agreed and then tabled on behalf of group by one LPG representative or an HSCP Officer

5. STRATEGIC CONTEXT

Strategic Objective - We will give all our stakeholders a voice.

6. IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Financial Implications

6.1.1 No implications

6.2 Human Resource Implications

6.2.1 No implications

6.3 Legal Implications

6.3.1 No implications

6.4 Equalities implications

6.4.1 No implications

6.5 Sustainability implications

6.5.1 No implications

6.6 Clinical/professional assessment

6.6.1 No assessment needed

7. CONSULTATION AND PARTNERSHIP WORKING

7.1 There has been some feedback from Locality Planning Group members re lack of clarity re their formal linkage to and from SPAG.

8. RISK ASSESSMENT

8.1. There is a low risk regarding this issue – mainly a low reputational risk.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

<https://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/health-social-care-partnership/documents/ijb%20agenda%202019%2012%2017.pdf>

<https://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/health-social-care-partnership/documents/2019%2011%2015%20-%20spag%20agenda.pdf>

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