
Minute of Strategic Planning Advisory Group

Date: Thursday 10th December 2020

Time: 3pm

Place: Teleconference

Present

Linda Semple, Chair

Councillor Julie Dettbarn, Vice Chair

Gordon Walker

Marie Oliver, Voluntary Action South Ayrshire (VASA)

Scott Hunter, Chief Social Work Officer

Karen Hedge, Local Integration Lead, Independent Sector

Glenda Hanna, Local Integration Lead, Independent Sector

Phil White, Partnership Facilitator

Kevin Anderson, Service Lead, Policy, Performance & Community Planning

Mike Newall, Assistant Director, Place Directorate

Ewing Hope, Staffside Representative, NHS

John Wood, Senior Manager, Policy, Planning & Commissioning

Elaine Hill, AHP Advisor

Tim Eltringham, Director of the Health & Social Care Partnership & Chief Officer

Lisa Duncan, Chief Financial Officer

Mark Inglis, Head of Service, Children's Health & Justice Services

Danielle Rae, Strategy, Policy & Planning Officer

Laura Conaghan, Administration Assistant (minute taker)

Linda Semple in the Chair

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Billy McClean, Rosemary Robertson and Dr Simon Farrell.

Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest by Members of the Board in terms of Standing Order No. 7, the Standards in Public Life – Code of Conduct for Members of Devolved Public Bodies.

Role & Remit of the Strategic Planning Advisory Group (SPAG)

The Chair welcomed everyone to today's meeting and explained that this is the first Strategic Planning Advisory Group since refreshing the attendees.

J Wood explained that there was a period of stand down in relation to governance meetings to allow for services respond to Covid-19. It was noted that the SPAG is a statutory obligation to be carried out by the Integration Joint Board and is a fundamental group. J Wood stated that the SPAG have no decision-making authority however may be asked by the Integration Joint Board to make decisions on its behalf.

J Wood advised that the SPAG Membership has been reviewed and made as balance as possible to allow to gather views from representatives from a wide range of NHS and South Ayrshire Council Services. It was noted that the membership would be completed and approved by the Chair & Vice Chair of this meeting. J Wood added that the SPAG requires to approve a way to include the Locality Planning Groups in a meaningful way in the SPAG and a representative from these groups will be confirmed following this action. The Chair agreed that further investigation is required to allow for the Locality Planning Groups the proper platform to address any issues as they require to. M Oliver highlighted that the Locality Planning Group Representative should be given training to prepare them for what is appropriate to raise at the SPAG. The Chair reiterated this and confirmed that this would be presented to the Integration Joint Board for approval.

Councillor Dettbarn confirmed that she welcomed the opportunity to attend these meetings.

Draft Strategic Plan

J Wood explained that the Integration Joint Board has a statutory obligation to produce a Strategic Plan every 3 years, which is due to be renewed for the 2021-24 period. It was added that the plan is currently under consultation in relation to the draft content of the plan. J Wood explained the plan will have a 10-year outlook with it being refreshed on a 3-year basis. It was noted that engagement with the consultation has been good and it has been unfortunate that no consultation could be done face to face. J Wood thanked VASA for their continued support in the promotion of the survey and facilitation of sessions with the independent sector.

J Wood requested the group to confirm if they would prefer to submit the draft strategy for consultation before or after the Christmas break period. The Chair thanked J Wood and D Rae for a comprehensive first draft. M Oliver noted that the plan is very balanced and explained that due to the restrictions within Scotland, people may have time to read the report during the Christmas break. The Chair advised that although the people may have more time over the festive period, it would be beneficial for more work to be done in relation to the consultation and produce the document follow this. M Newall highlighted that it has been a difficult year for everyone and that the festive period should be a time to allow people to recharge their batteries. J Wood confirmed that a public consultation will be carried out in January 2021. It was noted that both partner organisations will be consulted on the strategic plan in January 2021 to allow for completion of the plan by the 31st March 2021.

The Chair requested a formal presentation be given to the SPAG in January 2021. The Chair added that a copy of the draft plan will be shared with trusted partners prior to the Christmas break and formally publish the strategy in January 2021.

As there were no further matters to discuss, the meeting closed at 4.10pm.

Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 26th January 2021 at 2pm via Teleconference.