
Minute of Strategic Planning Advisory Group

Date: Wednesday 23rd February 2022

Time: 2pm

Place: Via MS Teams

Present

Linda Semple, Chairperson

Tim Eltringham, Chief Officer & Director of Health and Social Care

Elaine Hill Senior Manager Allied Health Professionals

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

Billy McClean, Head of Community Health and Care Services

Phil White, Partnership Facilitator

John Wood, Senior Manager, Planning, Performance & Commissioning

Kevin Anderson, Service Lead – Policy, Performance and Community Planning

Lesley Reid, Health Improvement Lead (NHS)

Robert Pyper, Academic Advisor University of West of Scotland

Gordon Walker, Representative Member for Carers

Marie Oliver, VASA

Katrina MacFarlane – NHS Healthcare Improvement Scotland

Danielle Rae, HSCP Planning & Performance Coordinator

Rebecca Hunter, HSCP Planning & Performance Officer

Kirsty Goodfellow, HSCP Planning & Performance (Communications) Officer

Dawn Parker, Corporate Parenting Lead Officer

James Andrew, SAC Coordinator Organisational Development

John Simpson, Locality Planning Partnership Representative

Max Agnew, Locality Planning Partnership Representative

Michelle Connelly, NHS Senior Programme Manager

Carole Taylor, Team Secretary (Minute Taker)

L Semple in the Chair.

Apologies for Absence

1. Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Ewing Hope, Glenda Hanna, Mike Newall, Rosemary Robertson, Julie Dettbarn, Lisa Duncan, Simon Farrell, Billy Cooper and Elaine McClure.

Declarations of Interest

2. There were no declarations of interest to be noted.

Minute of Previous Meeting

3. The minute of the meeting held on 14th December 2021 was approved by the group.

Actions from last meeting

4. L Semple advised for SPAG to be updated on the Wellbeing Pledge Survey and informed that they have plans to put out the survey to the population of South Ayrshire to understand what Wellbeing looks like. This work has been led by L Reid, D Rae and Peter Rub (Corporate Policy Officer) from the Local Authority. J Wood advised that the survey will be online but that a paper survey will also be available to ensure everyone has the opportunity to complete it.
5. The survey will be circulated prior to the next SPAG.
6. L Semple suggested that a separate action note be distributed following SPAG meetings going forward to keep everyone straight in terms of formalities.

Locality Planning Partnership Update

7. J Simpson advised that the purpose of this report is to update SPAG members on key developments and issues related to Locality Planning in South Ayrshire.
8. J Simpson advised that participatory budgeting was a good vehicle as it allowed the LPP to get involved in decision making.
9. Prestwick LPP are nominating members to work with groups who receive funding as a link officer.
10. J Simpson advised that a carers day will take place in Prestwick Academy in June 2022 which the Prestwick LPP are supporting.

11. M. Oliver advised that all groups have had a session on Truacanta and they asked for an area to have a remembrance garden in each of the localities. M Oliver informed that this was welcomed and each of the groups were looking at this.

South Ayrshire Parenting Promise

12. D Parker and M Inglis are leading on this piece of work. In 2021 SPAG agreed that the Promise should be aligned to Community Planning Partnership. The Parenting Promise has now been formally approved by the CPP and it will be reported through the Children's Service Planning Group. Performance Reports will also continue to be presented to the Performance and Audit Committee.
13. The focus is now on the associated action plan which holds the ten promise improvement actions. M Inglis advised there is a report which will go to the Leadership Panel in March.
14. Broader Promise groups have been taking place and regular bi-monthly sessions with colleagues will be convened to look at the Parenting Promise and to create an open space for dialogue around this work.
15. M Inglis advised that they recognise the need to be in constant communication to allow them to be as responsive, flexible, and efficient as they can be around the plan to ensure it remains a live document that can continue to change and evolve.
16. L Semple advised that she had seen the Impact Assessments which she thought were well done.
17. **Action – D Parker to share National Publication with the Group.**

Workforce Pressures

18. The purpose of bringing this paper to this group as well as the recent IJB meeting is to name the challenge of workforce recruitment and retention within the HSCP and beyond into the third independent sector. Over the winter period there were a few concerted pieces of work taken forward in terms of understanding absence within the partnership and to recruit more staff into care at home.
19. There are challenges in South Ayrshire that read across the demographics and the type of need within the area that make for a particularly challenging environment.
20. Some of the issues are out with the direct influence of the HSCP, however they could have an impact in terms of attracting more people to come to South Ayrshire to work.

Learning Disability Strategy

21. D Rae advised that the purpose of this report is to provide members with an update on the progress of refreshed the Adult Learning Disability Strategy. D Rae explained that the main strategy will be written in an easy read format.
22. D Rae expressed the importance of the Champion's Board. D Rae noted that the consultation feedback reflected the national strategy priorities of health and wellbeing, choice and control and living independently and active citizenship. The draft strategy will be finalised by end February 2022 and public consultation will take place for six weeks and be submitted to IJB in May for approval.
23. D Rae continued to advise that a questionnaire is being developed which will be available online and in paper form and will be accessible to everyone known to the Learning Disability Team for them to have the opportunity to complete the questionnaire.
24. Focus groups are being arranged which will be led by SCLD and supported by the Learning Disability service and these will be in person and online and also local networks.
25. L Semple noted progress and thanked D Rae for her update.

Homelessness Consultation

26. D Rae advised that the purpose of this report is to advise the Strategic Planning Advisory Group of the Joint Scottish Government and COSLA Consultation on the Proposed Prevention of Homelessness Duties.
27. D Rae informed that the Scottish Government requested Crisis convened the Prevention Review Group to develop recommendations for legal duties on Scottish Local Authorities and wider public bodies to prevent homelessness, and how these might be implemented. D Rae advised that the recommendations in the final report of the Prevention Review Group were published in early 2021 and provide the framework for the consultation document.
28. The consultation paper recognises that there is already much good practice by Local Authorities, wider public bodies, and landlords and the third sector that takes place in preventing homelessness, including through joint working with their partners.

29. D Rae noted that the paper invites views in two broad areas (fully detailed within the circulated report).

30. D Rae welcomed comments from the group regarding the consultation.

National Policy Update: National Care Service and Audi Scotland Briefing

31. J Wood will provide the links to the National Care Service Consultation report. Discussion took place around the analysis and weighting of consultation responses.

Items for Noting

32. There were separate items for noting.

Any other business

33. With no further business to be discussed, L Semple thanked everyone for their attendance and brought the meeting to a close.

Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 26th April 2022 at 2pm via MS Teams.