
Minute of Integration Joint Board Meeting

Date: Wednesday 21st October 2020

Time: 2pm

Place: Teleconference

Present

Councillor Julie Dettbarn (Chair)

Linda Semple (Vice Chair)

Councillor William Grant

Margaret Anderson

Councillor Hugh Hunter

Ewing Hope

Councillor Philip Saxton

Jean Ford

Billy Cooper, SAC Staff Side Representative Member

Frances Ewan, NHS Staff Side Representative Member

Marie Oliver, Representative Member, Third Sector

Martin Rogan, Representative Member for Carers

Karen Hedge, Independent Sector Representative Member

In Attendance

Tim Eltringham, Chief Officer (Director of Health and Social Care)

Lisa Duncan, Chief Finance Officer

Scott Hunter, Chief Social Work Officer

Billy McClean, Head of Community Health and Care Services

Mark Inglis, Head of Children & Justice Services

Rosemary Robertson, Nursing Advisor

Joanna Mowbray, Depute Allied Health Professional Advisor

Catriona Caves, Standards Officer

Dr Joy Tomlinson, Interim Director of Public Health (Joint)

Phil White, Partnership Facilitator

John Wood, Senior Manager, Planning, Performance & Commissioning

Kirstin Kerr, HSCP Planning and Performance

Danielle Rae, HSCP Planning and Performance

Laura Conaghan, Administration Assistant

Councillor Julie Dettbarn in the Chair

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Philip Hodkinson.

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.

Minute of Previous Meeting

M Rogan noted that his name was misspelled in the previous minute. L Conaghan advised that this would be changed and the online version updated. The minute of the meeting held on 16th September 2020 (previously circulated) was then approved by the Board.

Matters Arising

A paper was submitted ([previously circulated](#)) updating Members of the Board on matters arising from previous meetings of the Integration Joint Board and the following was noted.

Integration of the Contracts and Commissioning Team to Council's Procurement Service – Post has been advertised with a closing date at the end of October 2020. This post was advertised internally and should allow for it to be filled by mid-November 2020.

Caring for Ayrshire Informing, Engagement and Communication Plan – please see agenda item 8 for this item.

Public Health Update Report – due to ongoing constraints on Public Health Services, an updated report will be submitted to the Board in December 2020.

Preventing Drug Related Deaths in Ayrshire & Arran – S Hunter to contact Faye Murfet to request an updated report due to pressures on Public Health Service at present.

Chief Officers Update Report

A report was submitted ([previously circulated](#)) by the Chief Officer to provide an update the Board on items that do not require a decision or require a full report to be submitted.

The Chief Officer explained that this report was a new development and will be a standing item for Board Meetings.

Covid-19 Recovery and Mobilisation

The Chief Officer explained that there is continued work in relation to Covid-19 recovery and mobilisation with this work being prioritised by the management team meeting at least three times per week. The Chief Officer noted that there is significant work ongoing with Care Homes and Care at Home Services through the South Ayrshire Care Home Oversight Group to ensure that care home staff and support staff are tested regularly.

The Chief Finance Officer explained that the Scottish Government has announced an extra £1.089b for health and social care on the 29th September 2020, £2.669m has been agreed for South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership based on the projected cost in the quarter one report submitted on the 14th August 2020. The Chief Officer advised that a report will be submitted to the Scottish Government by the end of the week detailing South Ayrshire Health and Social Care costs are currently sitting around £7m. The Chief Officer stated that the period 6 budget monitoring report will be submitted to the Board in November 2020 and this will explain in detail what the actual costs are and any financial risks are. Councillor Saxton queried if this additional funding will still leave the partnership £2.5m underfunded. The Chief Officer explained that the Scottish Government have committed to extra funding in January 2021 and this will be included in the update to the Board next month.

Corporate Parenting Plan

The Chief Officer advised that there is ongoing work in relation to creating a new Corporate Parenting Plan for 2021-24. The Corporate Parenting Executive Group, chaired by the Head of Children's Health, Care and Justice Services, is overseeing the development of the new Plan. A Writing Group has been established, chaired by the Corporate Parenting Lead Officer, with representation from Social Work, Children's Houses, Education, Employability and Skills, Community Learning and Development, HSCP Planning and Performance. A final draft of this document will be published in March 2021.

Councillor Hunter queried if community planning partners have been included in the development of the new strategy. D Rae confirmed that they have been included and will be consulted with throughout the process.

IJB Governance

The Chief Officer noted that there is working ongoing to look at the relationship between the Integration Joint Board, South Ayrshire Council and the NHS. It was noted that there has been some previous anxiety regarding decision making responsibility. The Chief Officer advised that a report will be submitted to the Council and all Councillors on the 3rd November 2020 and will be confident publishing agreements and arrangements prior to the next Board meeting in November.

Children's and Justice Services

The Chief Officer advised that following a review of the integration scheme, there was a query as to if Children and Justice Services should be transferred back to South Ayrshire Council. The Chief Officer advised that on the 1st October 2020, South Ayrshire Council formally agreed that the delegation of these services should remain within the partnership.

Councillor Hunter queried if there is any recorded evidence of how the Integration Joint Board has improved the delivery of services since the partnership was established. C Caves noted that there may be some information nationally and advised she would explore this. J Wood advised that in a 2nd phase review of the integration scheme by the Scottish Government will look at the impact on health and social care services following the integration.

The Integration Joint Board agreed to i. consider the contents of this report and ii. Agreed to receive further Chief Officer reports in this format on a regular basis.

Digital Strategy

A report was submitted ([previously circulated](#)) by the Chief Officer to provide an update to the Board on the Digital Strategy and key elements of Covid-19 learning.

J Wood stated that the digital strategy outlines ongoing work within the partnership and next steps moving forward. It was noted the strategy has been refreshed to reflect learning from Covid-19 and some changes required to take place in the next few months. J Wood advised that a new national digital strategy is expected to be developed and published in the next 12 months and the partnerships strategy will be refreshed to reflect this. M Oliver noted that VASA will be willing to help in the development of this plan and correspond with residents to take this forward.

Councillor Hunter queried if there was a better way for the Integration Joint Board to be more widely available during this time. J Wood advised that there is ongoing investigation by governance administration to confirm if it will be possible to record and upload these meetings or even stream them live. J Ford noted that this is a high level strategy and questioned if there would be a dedicated resource to ensure information is captured correctly. T Eltringham explained that there is not currently a dedicated resource for this however, the Digital Programme Board is planning to recruit an Analog to Digital Lead.

K Hedge queried if it has been confirmed if CM2000 and Carefirst to be able to "talk to one another" to allow for efficient working. T Eltringham stated that data regarding this will be collated and issued to Board members following today's meeting.

Dr Farrell advised that some doctors surgeries have moved online. While it is an understanding that there is a threat of digital exclusion and that smartphone technology is not available for everyone, all practices are committed to providing a service to everyone. M Anderson advised that during the current pandemic, use of digital technology has been pushed forward 2 years ahead of schedule. P White advised that the Connecting Scotland Grant are rolling out money and kit for disadvantaged families and some elderly people.

The Integration Joint Board agreed i. to endorse the Health and Social Care Partnership Digital Strategy, ii. that a refreshed strategy will be brought to the Board by the end of 2021, incorporating anticipated developments in national policy and further learning from Covid-19 and iii. note the further update in relation to Carefirst and CM2000.

Care at Home Service Review

A report was submitted ([previously circulated](#)) by the Director of Health and Social Care advising of the intention to initiate a formal review of South Ayrshire Care at Home and Housing Support Service.

B McClean advised that there was an intention to review the Care at Home Service as a whole to ensure that it we are providing a service which is fit for purpose. Councillor Hunter requested that information is provided to the Board regarding the results of the review and queried if the review has a savings target or if this would be purely a review of service delivery. B McClean advised that there may be a change in resources that could have a financial impact however, this review will be focusing reviewing service delivery. T Eltringham confirmed that this review will not be about saving money but rather about service transformation.

L Semple stated that although the framework is robust, it does not explain where communication is made with the NHS Board. J Dettbarn confirmed that a refreshed framework will be published next month and will be issued to Board Members. B McClean added that staff will be consulted with on an operational level and acute colleagues. J Ford questioned if there were any timescales relating to this. B McClean advised that there are no timescales for this but the average length of reviews is 6 months.

Councillor Hunter advised that the GP Community will be a big part of this review service. B McClean noted that he would communicate with Dr Farrell regarding engagement with GP practices.

The Integration Joint Board agreed to approve the commencement of a review of the internal homecare service.

Caring for Ayrshire

A report was submitted ([previously circulated](#)) by the Chief Officer to up the Board on the Caring for Ayrshire Programme and note the Programme Initiation Agreement.

K Dickson explained that the Caring for Ayrshire is a key strategic document and is used pan-Ayrshire. It was noted that there is development to work alongside the Scottish Government and follow the Scottish Capital Investment Manual (SCIM) guidelines. K Dickson advised that the Scottish Government have been supportive and are committed to working with NHS Ayrshire & Arran to ensure capital funding is awarded. K Dickson noted that the proposal has been approved by the NHS Board and requested that the Board support the proposed plan and continue to help with engagement with communities.

The Chief Officer noted that John Burns, NHS Chief Executive, is a member of both the Community Planning Executive (CPE) group and the Community Planning Board (CPB). It was noted that J Burns has submitted the plan to the CPE and will be attending the CPB with it next week. The Chief Officer expressed that he would advise the Board to endorse this plan.

The Chair thanked K Dickson for her attendance at today's meeting.

The Board agreed to note the content of the Caring for Ayrshire Programme Initiation Agreement and endorsed the work to date.

Any Other Business

J Tomlinson was able to join the meeting to give a very brief update on Public Health Services.

J Tomlinson explained that the delivery framework for Covid-19 vaccination programme was issued yesterday (20th October 2020) to NHS Chief Executives. This framework has given a direction of travel for vulnerable and priority groups in terms of vaccinations and a timeline that staff will need to work towards. J Tomlinson noted that there has been a real effort from GP practices to deliver the seasonal flu jab and there has been an uptake of 69k receiving this through primary care. J Tomlinson added that there has been a lot of media speculation regarding the seasonal flu vaccinations and not having enough for all staff groups. It was noted that the allocation assumptions carry on from the previous years, in which staff uptake for the vaccination have been

low. J Tomlinson noted that there is a high uptake from staff and staff have been very proactive in requesting a vaccination.

Councillor Hunter highlighted that Hugh Miller has now stepped down from his post as representative member from the NHS Participation Network. The Chair thanked H Miller for his valuable contributions and for being a great member of the Integration Joint Board. Members of the Integration Joint Board wished H Miller luck in the future. It was confirmed that a new representative member will be sought from the NHS Participation Network.

As there were no further matters to discuss, the meeting closed at 3.30pm.

Date of Next Meeting

2pm on Wednesday 25th November 2020 via Teleconference.