

Meeting of South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership	Integration Joint Board		
Held on	21 October 2020		
Agenda Item:	5		
Title:	Chief Officer's update report		
Summary:			
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Recommendations:			
<p>It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Considers the content of this report and offer any reflections; and ii. Agree to receive further Chief Officer reports in this format on a regular basis. 			
Route to meeting:			
Report for IJB only.			
Directions:		Implications:	
1. No Directions Required	<input checked="" 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"/>

CHIEF OFFICER'S UPDATE REPORT

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

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- Corporate Parenting
- IJB Governance
- Delegation of Children's and Justice Services
- Staffing

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board

- i. Considers the content of this report and offer any reflections; and,
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3. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3.1 This is a new report, presenting the IJB with a general update on items that do not require decision nor merit a full report from. In addition to noting the content of the report, members of the IJB may wish to comment on the format of the report and intimate to offers whether a similar report should come to every IJB meeting.

4. REPORT

4.1 Topics for noting are detailed below.

COVID-19 Recovery and mobilisation

4.2 As discussed at the previous meeting of the IJB, the management team will provide regular updates to the IJB on the HSCP's COVID-19 response, recovery and mobilisation activity. The Partnership remains on an emergency footing, prioritising our COVID-19 response with the management team (DMT) meeting at least three times per week.

4.3 A wide range of services continue to be delivered on an adapted basis, using digital technology to engage remotely with the people we support and with many office staff working from home (all desk-based council staff continue to work from home until further notice. Through our daily South Ayrshire Care Home Oversight Group, we provide support and oversight to care homes with a recent focus on supporting homes to achieve regular testing of their staff and to

receive visitors, keeping in line with developing Scottish Government guidance. The Oversight Group agenda also covers day care and care at home services.

- 4.4 As requested by the IJB, an COVID-19 Response and Recovery Activity Tracker is provided at [Appendix 1](#). The document is regularly reviewed by DMT and complements reporting through NHS and Council management structures.

Corporate Parenting Plan 2021-24

- 4.5 Work is currently underway to produce a new Corporate Parenting Plan for South Ayrshire which for 2021-24. Corporate parenting is given the utmost importance in South Ayrshire and a focus on corporate parenting and supporting care experienced young people is a strategic priority across our key plans and strategies e.g. the IJB Strategic Plan 2018-2021, the Children's Services Plan 2020-2023 and the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan.
- 4.6 With the publication of the Independent Care Review findings and the incorporation of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) into domestic law, it is a particularly relevant time to refresh the Corporate Parenting Plan with both 'The Promise' and the UNCRC underpinning the new Plan.
- 4.7 The development of the new Corporate Parenting Plan presents an opportunity to create a co-produced strategy that has active input from all partners (e.g. Health and Social Care Partnership, South Ayrshire Council, NHS Ayrshire and Arran), our stakeholders, community, elected members and most importantly, people with experience of care. As such, gathering information and developing the plan through a wide range of engagement activities is essential. Strategic leadership is crucial to the development of a Plan for successful implementation.
- 4.8 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.
- 4.9 The final draft document will be published in March 2021 and be submitted to the Integration Joint Board for approval. Thereafter, the Corporate Parenting Plan will be remitted to Community Planning Partners to take through their respective governance processes

IJB Governance

- 4.10 Work continues to review governance processes and procedures across the HSCP, with particular regard to how the IJB and its subcommittees relate to the Council structures. This activity delivers on the IJB's commitment to implementing the recommendations of the Review of Progress Under Integration and the associated Ministerial Strategic Group Action Plan. A briefing paper clarifying roles and responsibilities is being prepared for a

meeting of South Ayrshire Council in November. While the focus is on clarification and developing a shared understanding of the legislation and local process, any decisions with an impact on the IJB's governance or operations will come to the IJB for consideration.

- 4.11 Members should be assured that, despite delays caused by the recent prioritisation of our COVID-19 response, the work is being progressed in a constructive way between the parties and should result in a positive outcome of clarity of roles and responsibilities and more effective bureaucracy. Associated with this work, HSCP directorate support staff have been reviewing and seeking to standardise supporting arrangements, terms of reference, formatting of reports, etc. for the IJB and its subcommittees. Further verbal update will be provided on 21st October.

Children's and Justice Services

- 4.12 As discussed previously, IJB members will be aware that of previous consideration under the Review of the Integration Scheme by the Council as to whether Children's and Justice Services should continue to be delegated to the IJB. The DMT were pleased that on 1st October the council formally [agreed](#) that the delegation of these services was no longer under review. The council report cited "recent improvement in the performance of the service allied to greater joint working with Council services, particularly Educational Services [which have] been instrumental in helping members reach the conclusion that a change is not desirable at this time."

Staffing

- 4.13 The IJB will receive a verbal update on proposals from the management team to enhance our capacity in planning, commissioning and within the Chief Social Work Officer's department. The proposals have been discussed with IJB voting members and are being considered by the council as they pertain to local authority employed staff.

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