

Meeting of South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership	Integration	Joint Board	
Held on	14 th December 2022		
Agenda Item:	5		
Title:	Chief Office	er's Update Report	
Summary:			
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 a) Adult Service Restructure b) Cosy Spaces c) Pathfinder Application d) Childrens Services review e) Ukrainian Refugees - update f) Care Inspection – progress g) Suicide Prevention week h) AHP Lead officer – retirement and recruitment update i) Childrens Service Management team 			
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Route to meeting:			
Report for IJB only.			
Directions: 1. No Directions Required		Implications:	
		Financial	
Directions to NHS Ayrshire & Arran		HR	
		Legal	
3. Directions to South Ayrshire Council		Equalities	
		Sustainability	
4. Directions to both SAC & NHS		Policy	
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CHIEF OFFICER'S UPDATE REPORT

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2. **RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 It is It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board:
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3. REPORT

Topics for noting are detailed below.

Adult Services restructure

- 3.1 Members will be aware that the HSCP recently reviewed the management structure of adult services which was agreed by the IJB in September. The paper was taken to Cabinet on 1st October 2022 and was agreed following the call in period.
- 3.2 This restructure will now be progressed and vacancy adverts for Locality Manager posts are live. Interviews will take place early in January 2023. Further updates will be provided when available.

Cosy Spaces

- 3.3 The cosy Spaces initiative has been led by VASA and supported by Thriving Communities along with the HSCP and is focuses on providing warm, hospitable welcoming places for people in all communities to save on individual heating bills.
- 3.4 The response has been highly significant and spaces are popping up in church halls, community centres, libraries, village halls and elsewhere. Representation



of these organisations came together to recognise and celebrate this compassionate and practical response to local need. The directory of many Cosy Spaces is now also available on the South Ayrshire Lifeline website. South Ayrshire's Cosy Spaces Directory by Voluntary Action South Ayrshire

Pathfinder Application

- 3.5 The HSCP recently submitted an application to the Scottish government to become a Pathfinder for Getting it Right For Everyone (GIRFE). We are pleased to advise that this application has been successful and the first meeting, which will set out the principles of GIRFE and how we can take this forward in partnership with other successful applicants, will take place on the 13th December.
- 3.6 GIRFE Pathfinder in South Ayrshire will focus on Older adults and frailty services and the platform will be a good opportunity to share and learn from other HSCP's in areas like service design, consultation, implementation and improvements. When considering the application it provided the Senior Management team an opportunity to reflect on the progress already made across locality planning in South Ayrshire. Further updates when available will be brought to the IJB.

Children's Service Review

3.7 Childrens Service Planning Group, Community Planning Partnership which Chaired by Mark Inglis has commissioned some research on services within South Ayrshire which will be carried out by Horizon. This is linked to the Whole Family Wellbeing Fund. Once the findings have been reported back, relevant updates and actions will be brought to the IJB.

<u>Ukrainian Refugees update</u>

- 3.8 South Ayrshire Council continue to offer support to people affected by the war in Ukraine. There are currently 66 family groups settled in the community and a further 44 family groups who are in temporary accommodation. Of these 59 of the settled family groups are under the age of 18, with 19 under the age of 18 in temporary accommodation.
- 3.9 A few have presented with concerns or conditions which have resulted with an onward referral to the HSCP for support with, for example, mental health issues. All are registered with a GP and those who are living in temporary accommodation have access for urgent GP appointments.

Care Inspection update

3.10 The Care Inspection continues. In the last week the Care Inspection team have concluded the file reading and focus groups have started. Early feedback provided is assuring and there is recognition of both the challenges and the positives that has been evidenced. Whilst the initial feedback was welcomed, the feedback provided once the inspection is completed will provide the framework for the action plan in due course.



Suicide Prevention Week - Creating Hope Together

3.11 Following the publication of Creating Hope Together, the new <u>Suicide Prevention</u> <u>Strategy and Action Plan for Scotland</u>, the Pan Ayrshire Suicide Prevention Group are currently seeking views to inform the next Action Plan. To facilitate this, they are holding an event on Wednesday 14th December at the Riverside Lodge Hotel, Irvine between 9.30am and 4pm. The invitation to share views and experience to help shape and in form the new plan has limited space, and further events will be informed in due course.

Allied Health professional Lead - Elaine Hill retirement

3.12 Members may be aware that Elaine Hill is due to retire from her post early next year. Elaine is a valued member of the DMT and her contribution, particularly in the last 3 years following the pandemic, to the HSCP will be sorely missed. The recruitment for her replacement is ongoing and interviews held last week were successful and the preferred candidate checks will be undertaken.

Children's Service Management team

3.13 Following the succession of Gary Hoey to Chief Social Work Officer, the vacant Service Manager post was filled following a successful recruitment drive. Russell Hamilton took up his post at the beginning of December. Russell comes to us with a background in Children's Services and is a welcome addition to the team.

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