



North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership

**Minute of Integration Joint Board meeting held on
Thursday 24 August 2023 at 10.00 a.m.**

**involving participation by remote electronic means and physical attendance
within the Council Chambers, Irvine.**

Present (Physical Participation)

Voting Members

Councillor Margaret Johnson, North Ayrshire Council (Chair)
Councillor Anthea Dickson, North Ayrshire Council
Tom Hopkins, NHS Ayrshire and Arran

Professional Advisers

Caroline Cameron, Director of Health and Social Care Partnership
Paul Doak, Head of Service (HSCP Finance and Transformation)/Section 95 Officer
Thelma Bowers, Mental Health Adviser
Scott Hunter, Chief Social Work Officer
Darren Fullarton, Associate Nurse Director/IJB Lead Nurse
Sharon Hackney, Lead Allied Health Professional
Leigh Whitnall, Interim Professional Lead: Psychology

Stakeholder Representatives

Louise McDaid, Staff Representative (North Ayrshire Council)/Chair, North Coast
Locality Forum

Present (Remote Participation)

Voting Members

Councillor Timothy Billings, North Ayrshire Council
Christie Fisher, NHS Ayrshire and Arran

Professional Advisers

Iain Jamieson, Clinical Director
Elaine Young, Public Health Representative

Stakeholder Representatives

Vicki Yuill, Third Sector Representative

In Attendance (Physical Participation)

Elizabeth Stewart, Interim Head of Service (Children, Families and Criminal Justice)
Eleanor Currie, Manager, HSCP
Kerry Logan, Head of Service (Health and Community Care)
Kimberley Mroz, Manager, HSCP
Loretta Galloway, Service Manager - Unity
Fraser Bedwell, Chief Executive - Unity
Karen Andrews, Team Manager HSCP

Shannon Wilson, Committee Services Officer
Hayley Clancy, Committee Services Officer

In Attendance (Remote Participation)

Michelle Sutherland, Partnership Facilitator, HSCP
Peter McArthur, Senior Manager (Addictions)
Raymond Lynch, Senior Manager Legal Services
Claire Straiton, Dental Services Manager
Claire McCamon, Senior Manager Primary Care Services

Apologies

Joyce White, NHS Ayrshire and Arran (Vice-Chair)
Pamela Jardine, Carers Representative

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were noted.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest in terms of Standing Order 7.2 and Section 5.14 of the Code of Conduct for Members of Devolved Public Bodies.

3. Minutes

The accuracy of the Minutes of the meeting held on 15 June 2023 were confirmed and the Minutes signed in accordance with Paragraph 7(10) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

3.1 Matters Arising from the Action Note

Updates in terms of the Action Note were detailed as follows: -

- **2022-23 – Month 7 Financial Performance** –Dental Services report – on the agenda
- **Implementation of the National CAMHS and Neurodevelopmental Specifications** – Briefing note issued and report to be presented to IJB in October 2023.
- **Director’s Report** – Update to a future meeting regarding commissioned services – Scheduled for October 2023.
- **Suicide Prevention: Strategy, Learning and Development** – Summary of training levels and availability to be provided to IJB.

Darren Fullarton gave a verbal update on the training levels and availability of training nationally, advising National Education Scotland produced a mental health improvement, self-harm and suicide prevention framework. Training would be delivered locally by the Choice Life Co-ordinator with a calendar of available training available for the rest of the year.

Thelma Bowers gave a verbal update on the Suicide Prevention Event on 2 October 2023. The event would be a full system workshop for North Ayrshire in response to the National Strategy and to help develop a North Ayrshire Plan.
Noted.

4. New Carer Strategy & Investment in Services for Unpaid Carers in North Ayrshire

Submitted report by Scott Hunter, Chief Social Work Officer on the Carer Strategy and the developments in relation to increased investment in support for unpaid carers. The Building Caring Communities: Interim Carer Strategy for 2023 – 2025 was detailed at Appendix 1 to the report.

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to: -

- low percentage uptake from carer support plan;
- consistency in referrals from various different sources; and
- availability of a summary of the Carers Strategy for publication.

A monthly update on the progress to be provided to the Partnership.

Noted.

5. Dental Services Update

Submitted report by Vicki Campbell, Head of Primary and Urgent Care Services on the current position of access to dental services within the North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership.

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to: -

- planned advice for school-age children on oral hygiene;
- public consultation requirements;
- covid restrictions for dental services;
- current dental services issues on Arran;
- availability of access to dental services in the communities; and
- inequalities in the prison dental service.

The IJB agreed (a) that a further update to be provided in 6 months; (b) otherwise, to note the update.

6. Alcohol and Drug Performance Management Report

The Board received a presentation by Peter McArthur, Senior Manager (Addictions) in respect of the North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership (NAHSCP) Alcohol and Drug Performance Management Report between April 2022 and March 2023. The presentation highlighted waiting times, substance use treatment target, the annual naloxone report, drug related deaths, training calendar, implementation of MAT standards, residential rehabilitation expansion and financial information.

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to: -

- support available to people with a gambling addiction;
- work being done on the performance framework of the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan;
- types of drug related deaths; and
- support in place for families of drug-related death victims.

Noted.

Peter McArthur left the meeting at this point.

7. Director's Report

Submitted report by Caroline Cameron, Director (NAHSCP) on the developments within the North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership.

The report provided an update on the following areas: -

- the Scottish Government agreement with local authorities and the NHS about the accountability arrangements for the National Care Service (NCS). The agreement established who would be responsible for people's care once the NCS was established, and confirmed that Councils would continue to hold staff, assets, and the delivery of social care services; discussions to take place over the coming months to develop an accountability framework for local and national elements, and new governance arrangements to be introduced to ensure consistently high levels of service across the country;
- Dr Tom Hopkins had replaced Adrian Carragher as Non-Executive Director on the North Ayrshire IJB following his appointment as the new Chair of the Area Clinical Forum
- following a request for expressions of interest, Vicki Yuill had agreed to join the IJB Performance and Audit Committee and all vacancies on IJB PAC had now been filled;
- the annual iMatter survey had the second highest response rate at 65%, and positively the Partnership aggregate level of employee engagement was 81 – the highest it had ever been;
- a group from Trindlemoss Day Opportunities in Irvine achieved a Gold Award as part of the RSPB's Wild Challenge Awards programme;
- the launch of a new debt advice service being delivered by CHAP for the next two years; and
- Scottish Government had paused all routine COVID-19 testing guidance across health, social care and prison settings. The exception to the pause was for individuals in hospital, prior to being discharged to a care home or hospice; routine testing would remain.

The Partnership thanked Carragher for his support and contribution to the North Ayrshire IJB over the last four years.

Noted.

8. 2023 – 2024 Month 3 Financial Performance

Submitted report by Paul Doak, Head of Service (HSCP Finance and Transformation), on the IJB's financial performance as at month 3 (June). Appendix A to the report detailed the Objective Summary as at 30 June 2023, Appendix B provided the financial savings tracker and the budget position was set out at Appendix C.

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to: -

- development of a financial recovery plan;
- challenges around children's residential placement and the plans in place; and
- vacancies within Children and Families.

The Board agreed to (a) note (i) the overall integrated financial performance report for

the financial year 2023-24 and the current overall projected yearend overspend of £4.576m, (ii) the progress with delivery of agreed savings and (iii) the remaining financial risks for 2023-24; and (b) approve the budget reductions set out at section 2.10 of the report.

Louise McDaid left the meeting at this point.

9. Annual Performance Report 2022-23 Year End Performance

Submitted report by Paul Doak, Head of Service (HSCP Finance and Transformation), on the key achievements during 2022 – 2023 and the publication of the Annual Performance Report. The Annual Performance Report was set out at Appendix 1 to the report.

Noted.

10. Clinical Care and Governance Group Update

Submitted report by Darren Fullarton, Lead Nurse/Associate Nurse Director on the Clinical Care and Governance Group, with the terms of reference for the group set out at Appendix 1 to the report.

Noted.

11. Whistleblowing Report Quarter 1 April – 30 June 2023

Submitted report by Karen Callaghan, Corporate Governance Co-ordinator, in relation to whistleblowing concerns raised in Quarter 1 (April – 30 June 2023).

Noted.

12. Whistleblowing Annual Report 2022 - 2023

Submitted report by Karen Callaghan, Corporate Governance Co-ordinator, on the organisational activity in relation to whistleblowing for 2022-2023.

Noted.

The meeting ended at 12.10 p.m.