



North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership
Minute of Integration Joint Board meeting held on
Thursday 18 June 2026 at 2.00 p.m.
involving participation by remote electronic means and physical attendance
within the Council Chambers, Irvine.

Present (Physical Participation)

Voting Members

Joyce White, NHS Ayrshire and Arran (Chair)
Councillor Margaret Johnson, North Ayrshire Council (Substitute) (Agenda Item 1 - 5)
Councillor Anthea Dickson, North Ayrshire Council (Agenda Item 6 – 14)

Professional Advisers

Caroline Cameron, Director of Health and Social Care Partnership
Thelma Bowers, Head of Service (Mental Health) (NAHSCP)
Eleanor Currie, Chief Finance and Section 95 Officer
Scott Hunter, Chief Social Work Officer
Sharon Hackney, Lead Allied Health Professional
Julie Barrett, Associate Nurse Director/ Lead Nurse

Stakeholder Representative

Lynda McFarlane, Staff Representative

Present (Remote Participation)

Voting Members

Councillor Tom Marshall, North Ayrshire Council
Tom Hopkins, NHS Ayrshire and Arran

Professional Advisers

Iain Jamieson, Clinical Director

Stakeholder Representative

Vicki Auld, Third Sector Representative
Lorna Sim, Staff Representative NHS Ayrshire and Arran

In Attendance (Physical Participation)

Elizabeth Stewart, Head of Service (Children, Families & Criminal Justice)
Kerry Logan, Head of Service (Health and Community Care)
Michelle Sutherland, Partnership Facilitator (Health and Community Care)
Karen Andrews, Team Manager (Governance)
Stuart MacMillan, Principal Manager (Planning, Performance and Transformation)
Lauren McMath, Planning Manager
Jan Thomson, Senior Manager Learning Disability
Kimberley Mroz, Team Manager SDS

Ruth Wilson, Team Leader (Litigation)
Sally Amor, Public Health Consultant (NHS Ayrshire and Arran)
Adele Davidson, Digital, Media & Marketing Analyst (Communications)
Hayley Young, Senior Committee Services Officer

Apologies

Councillor Nairn Angus-McDonald, North Ayrshire Council
Councillor Chloe Robertson, North Ayrshire Council (Vice-Chair)
Marc Mazzucco, NHS Ayrshire & Arran
Linda Semple, NHS Ayrshire and Arran
Lisa Davidson, Public Health Representative
Wendy Van Riet, Director of Psychological Services
Aileen Craig, IJB Monitoring Officer

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 13 March 2026 were confirmed and the Minutes signed in accordance with Paragraph 7(10 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

4. Director's Report

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

Officers responded to members' questions on various aspects of the report.

Noted.

5. Director of Public Health Annual Report

Submitted a report and received presentation by Sally Amor, Public Health Consultant (NHS Ayrshire and Arran) on the Director of Public Health Annual Report.

Officers responded to members' questions on various aspects of the report.

Noted.

6. Children's Service Plan Performance Report

Submitted report by Lauren McMath, Policy Officer (Children's Services) on the Children's Service Plan Performance Report, set out at Appendix 1 to the report.

Officers responded to members' questions on various aspects of the report.

The Board agreed to (a) note the key achievements contained in the North Ayrshire Children's Services Plan Performance Report 2025/26; and (b) agree that the report will be submitted to the Scottish Government.

7. 2025-26 – Year End Financial Performance

Submitted report by Eleanor Currie, Chief Finance Officer and Section 95 Officer (HSCP) on the IJB's financial performance for the year ended 2025-26 and the implications for the IJB's overall financial position Risk Appetite Statement, set out at Appendix 1 to the report. Appendix A to the report provided the financial overview of the partnership position, Appendix B provided an overview of those service changes that have financial savings attached to them and the BRAG status around the deliverability of each saving, Appendix C highlighted the movement in the budget position following the initial approved budget, Appendix D provided further details on the reserves, Appendix E provided further details on the Bank and Agency costs and Appendix F detailed the new Lead Partnership reporting template.

Officers responded to members' questions on various aspects of the report.

The Board agreed to (a) note the overall integrated financial performance for the financial year 2025-26 and the overall year-end underspend of £2.235m pre-earmarking, adjusted to £0.696m underspent after earmarking of £1.805m; (b) note the progress with delivery of agreed savings; (c) approve the budget reductions detailed at paragraph 2.10; (d) approve the proposed earmarking as detailed in the report, leaving a balance of £2.126m in earmarked funds and £0.696m in unearmarked funds.

8. Eligibility Criteria Implementation

Submitted report by Scott Hunter, Chief Social Work Officer on HSCP's implementation of the changes to the Eligibility Criteria to critical only. The policy change was agreed as part of the response to the significant and ongoing financial pressures facing the IJB, with the aim of aligning demand for funded adult social care with the resources available while continuing to meet statutory duties in relation to assessment, safeguarding, human rights, unpaid carers and Self-Directed Support.

Officers responded to members' questions on various aspects of the report.

Noted.

9. Self-Directed Support (SDS) Policy

Submitted report by Scott Hunter, Chief Social Work Officer on the Self-Directed Support Policy set out at Appendix 1 to the report.

Officers responded to members' questions on various aspects of the report.

The Board agreed to (a) approve the SDS Policy; (b) support the implementation approach; and (c) note the impact of the policy in strengthening consistency, transparency and sustainability in SDS practice.

10. Ayrshire Transformation Board – Right Care, Right Place

Submitted report by Caroline Cameron, Director (NAHSCP) on the Ayrshire Transformation Board (ATB), specifically in relation to the Right Care, Right Place programme of work.

Officers responded to members' questions on various aspects of the report.

The Board agreed to (a) note the update on progressing plans under the Right Care, Right Place workstream including developing plans to shift the balance of care and resource, focussed on improving outcomes and utilising resources more effectively; (b) approve delegated authority to the Chief Officer to progress operational plans, subject to the conditions detailed in the report being met as set out in section 2.12; and (c) note that a full update on the plan will be presented to the IJB after the summer recess.

11. Trindlemoss Court

Submitted report by Thelma Bowers, Head of Service (Mental Health) on the proposal for the future delivery of care provision in Trindlemoss Court Supported Accommodation in Irvine. The proposed timetable was set out at Appendix 1 and the Equality & Children's Rights Impact Assessment set out at Appendix 2 to the report.

Officers responded to members' questions on various aspects of the report.

The Board agreed to (a) approve the proposal to develop a single care provider model within Trindlemoss Court; (b) approve the commencement of procurement processes associated with the change in delivery model; and (c) note the potential impact on NAC, external care provider and Personal Assistant staff groups.

12. Ward 7A Option Appraisal

Submitted report by Thelma Bowers, Head of Service (Mental Health) on the Option Appraisal process and the commencement of next steps towards Delivery. A variety of review and information gathering was undertaken to inform consideration of future provision and a summary of the work was included in the Background Document prepared for the Option Appraisal set out at Appendix 1 to the report.

Officers responded to members' questions on various aspects of the report.

The Board agreed to approve the outcome of the Option Appraisal process and the commencement of next steps towards delivery.

Councillor Marshall and Tom Hopkins left the meeting at this point.

13. Whistleblowing Quarter 3 Report: October – December 2025

Submitted report for information in relation to whistleblowing concerns raised in Quarter 3 (October – December 2025).

Noted.

14. Strategic Planning Group Meeting Minutes

Submitted for information the minutes of the Strategic Planning Group Meeting on 26 November 2025 and 25 February 2026.

Noted.

The meeting ended at 4.35 p.m.

The full meeting proceedings can be viewed at
<https://north-ayrshire.public-i.tv/core/portal/home>