

Scottish Borders Health & Social Care
Integration Joint Board



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CHIEF OFFICER'S REPORT

Purpose of Report:	To inform the Health & Social Care Integration Joint Board (IJB) of the activity undertaken by the Chief Officer since the last meeting.
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Recommendations:	The Health & Social Care Integration Joint Board is asked to: a) Note the report.
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Personnel:	Not Applicable
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Carers:	Not Applicable
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Equalities:	Not Applicable
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Financial:	Not Applicable
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Legal:	Not Applicable
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Risk Implications:	Not Applicable
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Chief Officer Report

Queen's House

I can confirm we have finalised the agreement with Queen's House to secure 7 Specialist Dementia beds in the new Murray House development. Admissions criteria have been agreed and the beds will be available from mid December 2018. This is very welcome in light of the continued pressures on nursing care.

Public Bodies Climate Change Duties Report

We submitted our annual Climate Change Duties Report at the end of November 2018. An analysis report of the collated data will be published by the Sustainable Scotland Network in the New Year.

Mental Health Day of Care Audit Plus

A DoCA+ was undertaken in Mental Health over an afternoon session, on 15 November 2018, in Melburn Lodge, Lindean and Cauldshiels. In undertaking DoCA+, the purpose was to provide an objective criterion based assessment of both the medical appropriateness of each individual patient's admission and subsequent days of care. The findings will support our future bed modelling.

Chief Officer Conference

I, along with colleagues, attended the Health & Social Care Creativity, Culture & Courage Conference on 7 December 2018 in Glasgow. We heard from a variety of speakers including the First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Health and attended integration in action workshops, showcasing the spirit and principles of integration in a partnership area and what the impact has been for citizens in a transformed health and social care environment. Of particular interest was a workshop from Grampian IJB discussing their "virtual community wards". We hope to explore their appropriateness for the Borders at future meetings.

Group Manager Appointment

I am pleased to report we have successfully appointed Brain Paris as Group Manager for Social Services, who will be starting in post in the New Year. Discussions remain ongoing regarding the appointment of a permanent Chief Officer for Adult Services after the initial round of recruitment was unsuccessful.

Clinical Productivity

It is proposed that the next Meridian Productivity project will be with the Community Nursing Teams, including the 10 Treatment Rooms currently provided by NHS Borders Community Nursing Service and homecare provided by SBCares. The Chief Executives of NHS Borders and Scottish Borders Council have agreed the project can commence early in the New Year. The proposal was presented to the Executive Management Team and approval was given to proceed. Engagement has been underway between Senior Management, including the Management Director and Care Operations Director of SBCares, Executive Directors and Meridian Productivity, with the aim to start the project in early January 2019 with SBCares and the Treatment Rooms in the first instance. Work would then follow with the Community Nursing Teams.

It is expected the programme will run for around 6 months. The work will see us reviewing pathways and processes, as well as working practices for staff, to ensure the success of the service project as a whole. While elements of the project may prove challenging, this is an opportunity to make sure our services and commissioned services are as productive

as possible. It is also an opportunity to ensure we have the right amount of resources in the right place, at the right time to deliver the best possible service to our patients.

Children & Young People – East of Scotland Diabetes Work Shop

As part of the ongoing regional Diabetes work, I have been working closely with Marie Brown (NSS) and Cath Morrison (NHS Lothian) to progress the Children & Young People work stream. We will be holding a scoping workshop on 24 January 2019 with key individuals from partners across the East Region, with prevention and treatment as the main areas of focus.

Rob McCulloch-Graham
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