



Minutes of a meeting of the Health & Social Care **Integration Joint Board** held on Monday 25 February 2019 at 2.00pm in the Council Chamber, Scottish Borders Council.

Present:

(v) Cllr S Haslam	(v) Dr S Mather (Chair)
(v) Cllr J Greenwell	(v) Mr M Dickson
(v) Cllr E Thornton-Nicol	(v) Mrs K Hamilton
(v) Cllr T Weatherston	
Mrs J Smith	Dr C Sharp
Mr D Bell	Mr J McLaren
Mr S Easingwood	Mr M Porteous
Ms L Gallacher	Mr R McCulloch-Graham

In Attendance:

Miss I Bishop	Ms S Henderson
Mrs T Logan	Mrs S Holmes
Mr S Burt	Ms S Horan

1. Apologies and Announcements

Apologies had been received from Cllr David Parker, Mr John Raine, Mr Tris Taylor, Mrs Nicky Berry, Dr Angus McVean, Mrs Jane Davidson and Mrs Carol Gillie.

The Chair confirmed the meeting was quorate.

The Chair welcomed Ms Sarah Horan to the meeting who was deputising for Mrs Nicky Berry.

The Chair welcomed a range of other attendees to the meeting including Mr Simon Burt and Ms Susan Henderson.

The Chair welcomed members of the public to the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest

The Chair sought any verbal declarations of interest pertaining to items on the agenda.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** noted the verbal declaration of Cllr Elaine Thornton-Nicol as being registered with the Eildon Medical Practice.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Health & Social Care Integration Joint Board held on 28 January 2019 were approved.

4. Matters Arising

4.1 Action 34: Alcohol & Drug Partnership: Mr Rob McCulloch-Graham advised that an update paper had been shared with the Integration Joint Board members privately as it contained commercially sensitive information. He advised there was no further update.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** noted the action tracker.

5. Chief Officer's Report

Mr Robert McCulloch-Graham gave an overview of the content of the report and highlighted several key elements including: winter plan pressures; Hospital to Home services; step down facilities and funding of Garden View. He advised that a locality working groups summit had been held and a continuation of their development was being taken forward. They would also be utilised to provide service user representation on the Health & Social Care Integration Joint Board and Strategic Planning Group. He also commented on the on-going work in regard to Meridian Clinical Productivity and patient pathways out of hospital, the primary care improvement plan, and the development session being planned for 4 March.

Mrs Karen Hamilton welcomed the news that the Hospital to Home initiative was working well. Mr McCulloch-Graham advised that he turnaround time for Hospital to Home had been estimated at 6 weeks but was currently operating at 3-4 weeks.

Mr John McLaren sought assurance on supporting staff groups through the Meridian process. Mr McCulloch-Graham commented that the Meridian work was being linked to the Programme Management Office and reporting programme. He assured the Board that partnership were fully involved.

Mr John McLaren enquired about the forthcoming Development session and utilisation of the Prof John Bolton work. Mr McCulloch-Graham commented that several reports had been commissioned over the previous 2-3 years including the Prof John Bolton and Ann Hendry reports. He assured the Board that those reports had been used to inform practice and some of the recommendations had been taken forward such as the step down facilities recommendations which had assisted in formulating Hospital to Home and re-ablement facilities. The Development session would look back on the progress made and then forward to what should be achieved to benefit the care of the local population.

Mr Malcolm Dickson welcomed the assurance on system improvement through the Meridien methodology and enquired if there was a shared understanding in regard to the provision of high quality care verses quicker care. Mr McCulloch-Graham commented that mechanisms would be put in place to recognise a shared understanding.

Further discussion focused on the use of surge beds during the winter period and provision of link workers for mental health services through Action 15 funding.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** noted the report.

6. Chairs Action - Integrated Care Fund Update

Cllr Shona Haslam commented that the start date had slipped in regard to the COPD project and she sought an update report for the next meeting.

Mr Mike Porteous commented that at the time of writing the paper the funding of the Transport hub had been tangled up with various funding streams. He assured the Board that the funding had been spent in accordance with the plan, however he was unable at that time to provide a definitive timeline to advise if the funding had been allocated for 1, 2 or 3 years.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** ratified Chairs Action which was to approve the recommendation to extend and fund 3 live projects to establish a Discharge Programme of work for future evaluation.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** ratified Chairs Action which was to approve the funding of the Community Outreach Team.

7. Chairs Actions – Strategic Risk Register

The Chair reminded the Board that at the previous meeting it had agreed that if there were any other issues identified they be communicated directly to Jill Stacey, Chief Internal Auditor.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** ratified Chairs Action which was to agree to receive a review of the IJB Strategic Risk Register on a six monthly basis.

8. Chairs Action – Eildon Medical Practice

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** ratified Chairs Action which was to seek a report on the next stage in the process, a report on all of the options considered and the final decision route to be taken.

9. Set Up of Shared Lives Scheme

Mr Simon Burt, General Manager for Mental Health & Learning Disability services gave an overview of the paper and highlighted the older adults fostering scheme for those with learning disabilities. He advised that it was an alternative to living in residential care and traditional respite care and also worked well for older adults.

Cllr Shona Haslam enquired how the impact of the model on individuals would be evaluated. Ms Susan Henderson advised that Shared Lives Plus had an outcome e-tool for evaluation purposes. The full business case contained the detail as well as a charter for the individual and the carers. In terms of baseline the outcomes tools would also be used.

Mrs Jenny Smith enquired if a similar scheme had been used in Borders previously. Mr Burt advised that previously a scheme had been managed in-house which had failed. The difference this time was in commissioning an external provider who were experts to provide the service.

Mr John McLaren asked what Plan B would be if the Board did not agree the proposal. Mr Burt commented that there were already 8 people living in foster care and the alternative for those people would be a more expensive option and likely to be detrimental to their choice.

Mr Malcolm Dickson enquired how success would be measured and who would own any savings. Mr Rob McCulloch-Graham commented that the savings would be to both the IJB in terms of commissioning and Scottish Borders Council who would deliver the service in budget.

Further discussion focused on current expensive out of area placements and repatriation back to Borders in line with the Learning Disability commissioning strategy; supporting people to have more choice if they require to move from their family home; reduction in stress on families visiting relatives out of area; average costs and tailoring the commissioning contract; and commitment that further funding would not be requested at the end of the proposal in 2 years time as it would be mainstreamed.

The Chair commented that the proposal appeared to be a good use of the Integrated Care Fund (ICF) resource resulting in a change for the better for the client group. The ICF was set up as a lever for change and the proposal was bringing that to fruition.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** approved ICF funding of £117,835.20 start up costs split over 2 financial years: 2019/20 and 2020/21. Ongoing funding will be met within the existing commissioning budget

*Cllr Elaine Thornton-Nicol left the meeting.
Tracey Logan left the meeting.*

10. Ministerial Strategic Group Review of Progress with Integration of Health & Social Care

Mr Rob McCulloch-Graham gave an overview of the content of the paper.

Cllr Tom Weatherstone noted that the paper suggested the IJB had to develop a reserves policy and he enquired how achievable that would be. Mr Mike Porteous commented that the vision was to try and create a reserve in the accounts in the current year and that would be made up of specified sums for specific things to spend on in the next financial year. He advised that a generic reserve was highly unlikely. If a reserve was built up it could also build up a negative reserve and he advised that at least one other IJB currently had a negative reserve, and his suggestion was to try and build a reserve in year possible.

Further discussion focused on the formation of the action plan with input from the third sector and locality working groups; and identification of what would and would not be achievable.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** noted the proposals and timescales included within the report.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** requested the Health & Social Care Partnership Leadership Team create an action plan and priorities to address the proposals from the joint report for submission to the April Board meeting.

11. Monitoring and forecast of the Health and Social Care Partnership budget 2018/19 at 31 December 2018

Mr Mike Porteous gave an overview of the content of the paper and commented that any overspends at the year end would require additional funding from the partner organisations to address the overspends. The overspend had reduced by 177k since the last report. Within the health care functions the forecast position was largely unchanged with a small improvement of about £12k. The main movement in the overspend was the forecast social care position which had improved by £167k largely as a result of corporate savings released and the identification of a small underspend in generic services with a small breakeven position in social care functions. In terms of set aside there was no change in the forecast position.

The Chair suggested an update from NHS Borders on the recovery plan would have been helpful to have been included in the report to understand better the reasons for the overspends occurring, so that the IJB might consider and make any suitable suggestions for mitigation.

Mr Porteous advised that he had taken the decision not to repeat previous statements but to include the drivers of the overspends in the report once they had been clearly determined and their impact fully understood.

He further commented that the NHS element of the overspend remained within the amount of brokerage that NHS Borders would receive.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** noted the forecast overspend of (£7.372m) for the Partnership for the year to 31 March 2018/19 based on available information.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** noted that any expenditure in excess of the delegated budgets in 2018/19 will require to be funded by additional contributions from the partners in line with the approved scheme of integration.

12. Draft Scottish Government Financial Settlement for 2019/20

Mr Mike Porteous presented the report into the outcome of the draft financial settlement for the public sector for 2019/20 and he provided an overview of the implications for the IJB.

Mr John McLaren advised caution in regard to the announcements put out from central government in regard to funding for the NHS as often by the time it reached the Health Boards it had been subject to various caveats and did not provide as much funding as had been initially intimated.

Ms Lynn Gallacher requested that the Carers Act was referred to in order to ensure that funding stream was not lost.

Mr Rob McCulloch-Graham commented that one of the IJBs in Edinburgh had recently refused the budget offered to it and he suggested Scottish Borders IJB could potentially be in

a similar situation in regard to the health service provision of the budget. At present the Council budget remained balanced, so work was continuing with NHS colleagues to get to an acceptable position over the next few months.

Cllr Shona Haslam sought clarification on the process to get to an agreed budget. Mr Porteous commented that whilst the SBC budget would be approved shortly the NHS budget position was still to be finalised and until the information as available on the NHS position there was little he could provide to the IJB for agreement.

Cllr Haslam requested a timeline be produced from that point forward as to when the IJB could receive the budget, scrutinise it and potentially accept it.

Mrs Jenny Smith enquired if the Edinburgh IJB had rejected its budget if that was a symbolic move and what the impact would be if Scottish Borders IJB did the same. Mr Porteous commented that if the IJB accepted the budget it accepted the accountability and then the officers would be held to account on the budget limits, therefore if a budget did not cover the provision of services it should not be accepted. Therefore in terms of the IJB it should acknowledge the situation, that services would not be withdrawn but there would not be sufficient funds to spend on those services for the financial year as the running costs would be more than the budget provision.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** noted the impact of the financial settlements on the financial outlook for the IJB statutory organisations.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** noted that further work is required to provide the IJB with indicative provision of resources figures for 2019/20 and beyond.

13. Any Other Business

13.1 Development Session: Mr McCulloch-Graham remaindered the Board that the Development session would be held on Monday 4 March at 1pm to 5pm at Dryburgh Abbey.

13.2 Future Meetings: The Chair advised the Board that a rearrangement of the IJB meetings away from Monday afternoons would also be progressed.

14. Date and Time of next meeting

The Chair confirmed that the next meeting of Health & Social Care Integration Joint Board would take place on Monday 25 March 2019 at 2.00pm in Council Chamber, Scottish Borders Council.

The meeting concluded at 3.50pm.

Signature:
Chair