



Minutes of a meeting of the **Health & Social Care Integration Joint Board** held on Wednesday 19 February 2020 at 10am in the Council Chamber, Scottish Borders Council

**Present:**

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

**In Attendance:**

Miss L Ramage	Mr R Roberts
Mrs T Logan	Mrs J Stacey
Ms S Douglas	Mrs C Gillie
Mr G Samson	Mr G McMurdo
Ms M Hermiston	Mrs S Bell
Mr P Lunts	Ms C Oliver

## 1. Apologies and Announcements

Apologies had been received from Mr Tris Taylor, Dr Cliff Sharp, Dr Tim Patterson, Mr David Robertson, Mr Geoff Marks and Ms Catriona Hutcheson.

The Chair confirmed the meeting was quorate.

The Chair welcomed Ms Suzy Douglas to the meeting who was deputising for Mr David Robertson.

The Chair welcomed a range of other attendees to the meeting including Mr Phil Lunts and Mr Graeme McMurdo.

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 there were none.

### **3. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Health & Social Care Integration Joint Board held on 17 December 2019 were approved, with the correction of a typo under item five, paragraph two.

### **4. Matters Arising**

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

### **5. Appointment of External Member of Integration Joint Board Audit Committee**

Cllr Tom Weatherston provided an overview of the report requesting the appointment of a new external board member to replace Mr Anson Clark. Cllr Tom Weatherston thanked Mr Anson Clark for his contribution to the IJB Audit Committee during his time as an external member.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** approved the appointment of Jim Wilson as External Member of the Scottish Borders Health and Social Care Integration Joint Board Audit Committee to 31 October 2021.

### **6. Inspections Update – Older People’s Services**

The Chair informed members that unfortunately the Care Inspectorate representatives had subsequently gave their apologies for the meeting and would be in touch to reschedule a presentation of their verbal feedback.

Mr Rob McCulloch-Graham advised that Care Inspectorate (CI) inspectors were on site week commencing 25 November 2019 to attend various meetings and workshops, as part of the review of the 2017 report on the ‘Joint Inspection of Adult Health and Social Care Services’ and the subsequent thirteen recommendations which informed the local action plan.

An overview of the formal feedback session held on 18 December 2019 was given; which saw improvement across all recommendations.

The draft report was circulated for factual accuracy checking on 17 January 2020 and returned to CI on 29 January 2020. The final report was published in the public domain on 12 February 2020.

Members welcomed the feedback and the published report, thanking all services involved for their hard work in delivering the action plan.

As part of recommendation one, Mr Malcolm Dickson asked for an update on the recruitment of Service User Representatives on the IJB. Mr Rob McCulloch-Graham reminded members that five representatives of the Locality Working Groups would sit on the Strategic Planning Group, and then elect one of these representatives to sit on the IJB. Separately, an advert had been published for a second Service User to sit on the IJB following an interview process in March 2020. Therefore, Mr Rob McCulloch-Graham provided assurance that the posts would be filled over the next three months.

Ms Lynn Gallacher asked members to continue improvement measures for robust service user engagement and carer involvement. Mr Rob McCulloch-Graham noted his agreement and advised this principle should be endorsed by the IJB as part of a communications strategy. Mrs Jenny Smith agreed the approach to user and carer involvement should be more strategic and consistent, which can be developed in partnership with third sector.

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

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** were unable to note verbal feedback from the Care Inspectorate due to apologies.

## **7. Quarterly Performance Report**

Mr Graeme McMurdo provided an overview of the content of the report, advising that some of the snapshot data remained in draft and finalised figures would be available imminently.

A discussion ensued around the discharge to assess policy and the consistency of reporting between partner organisations and nationally, particularly around delayed discharges.

Mrs Tracey Logan raised concern over the lack of social care data in the report.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** agreed the action to expand the quarterly performance report to include social care data.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** noted and approved any changes made to performance reporting.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** noted the key challenges highlighted.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** directed actions to address the challenges and to mitigate risk.

## **8. Delayed Discharges**

Mr Rob McCulloch-Graham gave a presentation on the trend of delayed patients awaiting discharge from hospital over the last 10 months and the resulting challenges. Members were asked to note the decreasing levels of delayed discharges in the run up to the winter period, which has since deteriorated slightly.

A discussion ensued on the definition of a delayed discharge, which is set by Scottish Government as part of performance reporting.

Mrs Tracey Logan suggested that the respective management teams discuss realistic expectations on service availability in comparison to the delayed discharge demand across the whole health and social care estate, agreeing that patients should not be kept unnecessarily in hospital but stressed the importance of understanding capacity restrictions.

Mrs Nicky Berry agreed to the approach of partnership working and capacity expectation; however highlighted the real risks to people's health when delayed in hospital. Members were advised that partnership working in discharge planning had improved significantly over the winter period.

Mrs Karen Hamilton advised it would be helpful to have information on Care Home admissions/availability and Package of Care allocations/availability to provide whole system context when reporting on delayed discharges.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** agreed the action of asking the Executive Management Team to develop a whole system reporting framework to inform and provide context on the delayed patients across the health and social care estate.

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

## **9. Monitoring of the Integration Joint Budget 2019/20**

Mr Mike Porteous gave a brief overview of the content of the report and advised that the IJB is reporting a forecast overspend of £2.824m at the end of the financial year, at the time of developing the report. Since then, Scottish Borders Council had reported an updated improved position of overcoming the predicted overspend of £0.824m. Therefore the IJB would now be reporting a Health Board forecast overspend of £2m at the end of the financial year.

Mr Ralph Roberts and Mrs Carol Gillie provided an overview of NHS Borders financial position; the Turnaround Programme had generated double the previous annual amount of in year recurrent savings to £7m, the request for brokerage had decreased to £8.3m this financial year and the projected overspend in IJB delegated services would breakeven.

Mr Rob McCulloch-Graham advised members that there is a fundamental lack on funding to run all IJB delegated services. Concerns were raised by members on the direct affect of financial challenges on the public.

Mrs Karen Hamilton asked for future iterations of the monitoring report to improve the clarity of the embedded tables, signed off by all Director's of Finance prior to presentation at the IJB.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** acknowledged the forecast overspend for the Partnership for the year to 31 March 2020 based on available information.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** noted the forecast position includes the additional support of £0.828m allocated to the Council H&SC services in December by the IJB.

The **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD** noted that any expenditure in excess of the delegated budgets in 2019/20 will require to be funded by additional contributions from the partners in line with the approved scheme of integration

**10. Any Other Business**

Cllr Elaine Thornton-Nicol advised of her apologies for the 18 March 2020 meeting.

**11. Date and Time of next meeting**

The Chair confirmed that the next meeting of Health & Social Care Integration Joint Board would take place on Wednesday 18 March 2020 at 10am in the Council Chamber, Scottish Borders Council.

The meeting concluded at 11.20am.

Signature: .....  
Chair

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