

NHS Grampian Board meeting

2 February 2023

Notice of late item

Item 7.1 - Aberdeen City IJB Integration Scheme

The Chair has agreed to accept late amendments to the Integration Scheme as follows:

(a) to allow for the appointment of a Chief Operating Officer.

It is proposed to add in additional wording as a new para 10.11 on page 26 of the Integration Scheme (page 92 of the Board papers pack) as follows:

NHS Grampian and the Council have established the post of Chief Operating Officer. The Chief Operating Officer shall support the Chief Officer of the IJB, be responsible for the strategic leadership of the Partnership and the delivery of the IJB's Strategic Plan. Further arrangements in relation to the Chief Operating Officer's responsibilities are determined by the Parties. Additionally, the Parties agree that the Chief Operating Officer shall act as Chief Officer, in the absence of the Chief Officer of the IJB, and that the IJB shall appoint the Chief Operating Officer in this capacity at the next meeting of the IJB, following the appointment of the Chief Operating Officer.

The Board is asked to approve an amended recommendation as follows:

The Board is asked to endorse the Aberdeen City Integration Scheme, including the late addition of a new paragraph 10.11 establishing the post of Chief Operating Officer and amended wording in paragraphs 3.6, 9.6.2 and 9.6.4 reflecting the role of public health on the IJB, for submission to Scottish Ministers.

Rationale for the change:

The change reflects that the Chief Operating Officer (COO) will act as Chief Officer when that person is absent. Additionally, it notes the significance of that role in general terms. The IJB will need to appoint the COO in the capacity of acting Chief Officer only. An Interim COO has been in post as a test of change since 1st August 2022. It has now been agreed to make this post permanent and therefore it was felt it was appropriate to have this reflected in this latest revision of the Integration Scheme.

The Chair has agreed to accept this as a late amendment to avoid delaying approval of the Aberdeen City Integration Scheme to April 2023, thereby missing the Scottish Government deadline for submission of the revised Scheme, and taking into account that the amendment has no financial implications for NHS Grampian.

(b) To include a professional representative of the Director of Public Health in the non-voting membership of the IJB

This was an accidental omission from the Scheme's wording and reflects current practice.

It is proposed to add a new sub-paragraph 3.6 g) on page 10 of the Integration Scheme (page 76 of the Board papers pack) as follows, and amend the subsequent sub-paragraph numbering of 3.6 accordingly:

g) a professional representative from Public Health

(c) To confirm the professional leadership arrangements within Aberdeen City IJB for public health practitioners

This was an accidental omission from the Scheme's wording and reflects current practice. The Director of Public Health provides professional leadership to public health practitioners delivering care through integrated services, alongside the professional leadership from the Medical and Executive Nurse Directors.

It is proposed to amend the first sentence of paragraph 9.6.2 on page 23 of the Integration Scheme (page 89 of the Board papers pack) to read as follows:

Directors of Public Health, Medical Directors and Executive Nursing Directors are ministerial appointments made through health boards to oversee systems of professional and clinical governance within the Health Board.

It is also proposed to amend the second bullet point of paragraph 9.6.4 on page 24 of the Integration Scheme (page 90 of the Board papers pack) to read as follows:

The Director of Public Health, the Executive Nurse Director and Medical Director will continue to have professional managerial responsibility

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Item 7.2 - Moray IJB Integration Scheme

The Chair has agreed to accept late amendments to the Integration Scheme as follows:

(a) To confirm the professional leadership arrangements within Moray IJB for public health practitioners

This was an accidental omission from the Scheme's wording and reflects current practice.

The Director of Public Health provides professional leadership to public health practitioners delivering care through integrated services, alongside the professional leadership from the Medical and Executive Nurse Directors.

It is proposed to amend the first sentence of paragraph 9.6.2 on page 29 of the Integration Scheme (page 177 of the Board papers pack) to read as follows:

Directors of Public Health, Medical Directors and Executive Nursing Directors are ministerial appointments made through health boards to oversee systems of professional and clinical governance within the Health Board.

It is also proposed to amend the second bullet point of paragraph 9.6.4 on page 29/30 of the Integration Scheme (page 177/178 of the Board papers pack) to read as follows:

The Director of Public Health, the Executive Nurse Director and Medical Director will continue to have professional managerial responsibility