

NHS GRAMPPIAN

Integration Joint Boards – Regular Update Report (July 2023)

1. Actions Recommended

The Board is asked to note the latest approved minutes of the meetings of the Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire and Moray Integration Joint Boards.

2. Strategic Context

Three Integration Joint Boards for Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire and Moray were established on 6 February 2016 under the terms of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 with full delegation of functions and resources to enable integration of primary and community health and social care services effective from 1 April 2016. Each IJB is a separate legal organisation and acts as principal in its own right.

The principal ambitions of health and social care integration are to:

- Support the improvement of the quality and consistency of services for patients, carers, service-users and their families.
- Provide seamless, joined-up quality health and social care services in order to care for people in their homes or a homely setting where it is safe to do so.
- Ensure resources are used effectively and efficiently to deliver services.

3. Key matters relevant to recommendation

This report presents the NHS Grampian Board with the latest approved minutes from the Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire and Moray IJBs. The key highlights are emphasised below.

3.1. Aberdeen City

The NHS Grampian Board has the following minutes from the Aberdeen City Integration Joint Board:

- on the 25th April 2023

The key highlights from the **25th April** meeting were:

- The Board received a revised Integration Scheme to the IJB and revised Scheme of Governance for approval. The Board agreed the recommendation and instructed the Chief Operating Officer to undertake a review of the Carers' Expenses Policy.
- The Board received the annual assurance report on the IJBs resilience arrangements and noted the progress made in further embedding the IJBs resilience arrangements during 2022/23.

- The Board approval the Biennial Progress Report in relation to the Equality Outcomes and Mainstreaming Framework.
- The Board considered an update report on the performance of Hosted Services across Grampian and noted the performance.
- The Board approved the Supplementary Procurement Work Plan for 2023/34 for expenditure on social care services, approving the tender for a period of up to five years of a contract for Independent Advocacy Services.
- The Board noted the progress on delivery of the national Suicide Prevention Action Strategy and local implementation.
- The Board noted the report on Prevention and Early Intervention that had been approved at the Aberdeen City Council Budget meeting on 1 March 2023.
- The Board approved a report providing assurance regarding the implementation of the Morse application allowing electronic scheduling and patient record keeping for Community Nursing, Hospital at Home, Macmillan Nursing and School Nursing within the partnership area between August 2021 and June 2022.

Papers for the report can be viewed [here](#)

3.2. Aberdeenshire

The NHS Grampian Board has the following approved minutes from the Aberdeenshire Integration Joint Board (IJB):

- on the 10 May 2023 (approved 5 July 2023)

The key highlights from the **10 May 2023** meeting are:

- A presentation to the IJB by the Chief Officer on The North East Alliance: Delivering Change, Improving Lives.
- A report from the Chief Officer providing an update on the National Care Service Bill, Community Hospitals and Minor Injury Units in Aberdeenshire, Aberdeenshire Health and Social Care Partnership taking over the operation of the former Balhousie Huntly Care Home and on the delivery of medical services at Fyvie/Oldmeldrum and Inverurie Medical Practices.
- An update on the financial monitoring information for the IJB Revenue Budget from the Chief Finance and Business Officer.
- An update report from the Clinical and Adult Social Work Governance Committee.
- An update report from the IJB Audit Committee.
- An update report on a range of specialist services operating under 'Hosted Mental Health and Learning Disabilities Services'.
- An update report on scoping work undertaken on the transition of young people from Children to Adult Social Work services.
- An update report from the Strategic Planning Group.
- A report providing an overview on Directions which had been issued by Aberdeenshire IJB during the period 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023.

- A report requesting the IJB to note the use of special urgency powers by the Chief Officer in connection with provision of a residential care home service for older people at the former Balhousie Huntly Care Home.

Papers from meetings that have taken place after the meeting reported on above can be viewed [here](#)

3.3 Moray

The NHS Grampian Board has the minutes from the meetings of the Moray Integration Joint Board (MIJB) held on **30 March 2023** and **25 May 2023** and accepted as correct records at their meetings on the 25 May 2023 and 29 June 2023, respectively. The key highlights from the meetings for the NHSG Board to note are, the MIJB:

30 March 2023

- Noted a report by the Chief Officer (CO) detailing the CO activities that support the delivery of the MIJB's strategic priorities.
- Noted the Scheme of Integration was agreed by Scottish Ministers on the 16 March 2023 and that Children's, Families and Justice Services were now delegated to the MIJB from Moray Council.
- Requested a report on primary care in Elgin be brought to the next meeting of the MIJB.
- Noted the financial position of the Board as at 31 December 2022, noted the provisional forecast position for 2022/23 and noted the progress against the approved savings plan.
- Approved the repayment to NHS Grampian of £6,239,000 of unused earmarked Covid reserve.
- Approved for issue the Directions arising from the updated budget position.
- Requested an update on the recruitment position for older adult psychiatry at a future meeting of the MIJB.
- Noted the funding allocations proposed by NHS Grampian and Moray Council, noted the anticipated budget pressures and approved the proposed savings plan for 2023/24. The MIJB formally approved the uplift to social care providers, as part of the continued policy commitment made by Scottish Government in November 2021.
- Approved the Medium Term Financial Framework and noted a full review will be carried out and presented to the MIJB before 30 September 2023.
- Approved the Revenue Budget for 2023/24 following consideration of the risks highlighted in the report.
- Noted changes to the membership of the MIJB and its committees.
- Noted a report by the Interim Strategy and Planning Lead detailing the collaborative strategic planning approach to further enhance health and social care services.
- Noted the progress made on locality plans since the previous report received in September 2022 and noted further progress reports will be brought to the MIJB on a six monthly basis.
- Approved for publication the Health and Social Care Moray Carers Strategy 2023-26.

- Agreed to support the housing projects to be utilised by people with a Learning Disability, as noted in a report by the Integrated Learning Disabilities Service Manager, as approved and funded by the Scottish Government in accordance with Moray Council Housing Strategy and Moray Housing Need and Demand Assessment document.
- Noted the Chief Social Work Officer's Annual Report.

25 May 2023

- Noted changes to the membership of the MIJB and its committees.
- Noted the content of the Chief Officer (CO) report detailing the CO activities that support the delivery against the MIJB's strategic priorities and delivery against the 9 health and wellbeing outcomes.
- Received a report by the Lead Pharmacist providing information on predicted prescribing budget resource requirements for 2023/24 alongside key drivers for growth.
- Noted a report by the General Manager, Dr Gray's Hospital, informing the Board of the programme status and associated requirements of the MRI Scanner and Ligature Reduction Integrated Programme.
- Noted a report by the Primary Care Development Manager which informed the Board of the current demand for housing across Moray and the resultant impact on current and future plans for GP premises.
- Considered the sustainability issues in general practice across Moray following a report presented by the joint GP Clinical Leads. It was agreed during the meeting to add an additional recommendation for the Chair of the MIJB to write to the Scottish Government highlighting the issues which are disproportionately affecting Moray.
- Agreed the associated implementation plan relating to the Moray Carers Strategy 2023-26 and instructed the Lead Officer for Unpaid Carers to report back to the MIJB Clinical and Care Governance Committee in 6 months' time to monitor progress on the plan and the actions within.

Papers from all past Moray IJB meetings can be found [here](#)

4. Responsible Chief Officers and contacts for further information

A considerable number of other items were considered by the IJBs. If any Health Board members would like further clarification on any particular item then please contact:

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