



Dumfries and Galloway
Integration Joint Board

29th October 2020

This Report relates to
Item 9 on the Agenda

Review of the Integration Scheme

Paper presented by Julie White

For Noting

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| List of Background Papers: | None |
| Appendices: | Appendix 1 – Draft Integration Scheme |

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| Direction Required to Council, Health Board or Both | Direction to: | |
| | 1. No Direction Required | X |
| | 2. Dumfries and Galloway Council | |
| | 3. NHS Dumfries and Galloway | |
| | 4. Dumfries and Galloway Council and NHS Dumfries and Galloway | |

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The purpose of this Report is to inform Members that following approval of the revision to the Integration Scheme between NHS Dumfries and Galloway and Dumfries and Galloway Council the Scheme has been forwarded to the Scottish Government for their review and approval.

2. Recommendations

2.1 The Integration Joint Board is asked to Note:

- **The changes made to the Integration Scheme**
- **That a successor Scheme will be developed during 2020**

3. Background and Main Report

- 3.1 In March 2020, Scottish Government wrote to all Chief Officers of Integration Authorities, NHS Board Chief Executives and Local Authority Chief Executives to advise that due to local health and social care systems planning their response to the Covid 19 situation, and in view of announcements made by the First Minister and the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport on the stringent new measures now in force throughout the UK to slow the impact of the virus, they do not expect work to continue on developing successor schemes. For clarity, the Act does not require the Health Board and Local Authority to produce a successor scheme, it requires a review.

- 3.2 This information from the Scottish Government superseded the work planned for a full review of the Integration Scheme to produce a successor to the Scheme, scheduled for earlier this year. Following discussion at the IJB in May it was agreed that the Chair would write to both Chief Executives to advise them of the timescales for completion of a minimal review.

- 3.3 In May 2020, the Chair of the IJB received notification from the Chief Executive of Dumfries and Galloway Council that the Chief Social Work Officer would lead on the minimal review on behalf of the Council and the Chief Executive of NHS Dumfries and Galloway advised that the Chief Operating Officer and the Head of Strategic Planning would lead on the minimal review on behalf of NHS Dumfries and Galloway.

- 3.4 Following an initial meeting with the lead officers, it was agreed they would each review the current Scheme and agreed that due to time constraints, the Corporate Governance Officer would collate all responses and do a consistency check of the document.

- 3.5 The revised document was presented to the Health and Social Care Executive Group, consisting of the Chief Officer, Chief Social Work Officer, Head of Strategic Planning, Chief Finance Officer and Nurse Director for confirmation that all sections of the Integration Scheme were reviewed. It was agreed that further sections regarding Workforce and Information Sharing and Data Handling were forwarded to relevant individuals to ensure accuracy and these were also incorporated into the document.

- 3.6 The Health and Social Care Executive Group reviewed the changes at its meeting on the 7th August and agreed to each undertake a final review of the document which would then be presented to the meeting of the Executive Group on the 21st

August.

- 3.7 Following further review there were no changes to be made and the Group confirmed that they were content with the minimal review of the Integration Scheme and the content within the document.
- 3.8 At this point the Integration Scheme was shared with both Chief Executives, the Leader of the Council and Chair of the NHS Board before it was formally submitted and approved by the NHS Board on the 7th September 2020 and Full Council on the 24th September 2020.
- 3.9 Following approval the revised Integration Scheme was submitted to Scottish Government for their approval.
- 3.10 To date feedback from Scottish Government is that the Scheme has had an initial review and has now been passed to the Legal Department for their review before submission to Scottish Ministers. The process from start to finish should take approach 6 weeks.
- 3.11 I have received confirmation that under the terms of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 the IJB have fulfilled the criteria of submission of the revised Scheme by the review date. This has been relaxed due to the Covid 19 pandemic.
- 3.12 The Chief Officer, Chief Social Worker and Head of Strategic Planning (NHS) have agreed that a successor Integration Scheme, which will include a full review of the current Scheme, is planned for 2021.

4. Conclusions

- 4.1 Based on the information provided Members should be reassured that the IJB has fulfilled its criteria by submission of the revised Integration Scheme.

5. Resource Implications

- 5.1 There have been no resource implications outlined as a result of the review of the Integration Scheme.

6. Impact on Integration Joint Board Outcomes, Priorities and Policy

- 6.1 The revision of the Integration Scheme has met the criteria of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 and subsequent advice from Scottish Government.

7. Legal and Risk Implications

- 7.1 There are no legal or risk implications as a result of this Report as dates were adhered too.

8. Consultation

- 8.1 The revision to the Integration Scheme was shared with:
- The Chief Officer, Chief Social Work Officer, Head of Strategic Planning (NHS)

- The Health and Social Care Executive Group
- Dumfries and Galloway NHS Board
- Dumfries and Galloway Full Council Business Meeting
- The Health and Social Care Governance and Performance Group.

9. Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment

9.1 As the Integration Scheme does not propose changes to policy or strategy an Impact Assessment is not required.

10. Glossary

10.1 All acronyms must be set out in full the first time they appear in a paper with the acronym following in brackets.

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| EQIA | Equalities Impact Assessment |
| IJB | Integration Joint Board |

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DIRECTION

(ISSUED UNDER SECTIONS 26-28 OF THE PUBLIC BODIES (JOINT WORKING) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2014)

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| 5. | Does this direction supersede, amend or cancel a previous Direction? If yes, include the reference number(s) | |
| 6. | Functions covered by Direction | |
| 7. | Full text of Direction | |
| 8. | Budget allocated by Integration Joint Board to carry out Direction | |
| 9. | Desired Outcomes | |
| 10. | Performance Monitoring Arrangements | |
| 11. | Date Direction will be Reviewed | |