



Dumfries and Galloway
Integration Joint Board

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This Report relates to
Item 7 on the Agenda

Integration Joint Board Annual Performance Report – Plan for Publication

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For Approval

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List of Background Papers:	The Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 The Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Content of Performance Reports) (Scotland) Regulations 2014 Health and Social Care Integration Public Bodies (Joint Working) Scotland Act 2014 – Core Suite of Integration Indicators Scottish Government Guidance for Health and Social Care Integration Partnership Performance Reports

	Integration Scheme between NHS Dumfries And Galloway and Dumfries and Galloway Council Dumfries and Galloway IJB Health and Social Care Strategic Plan Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020
Appendices:	Not Required

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 Under the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014, the Integration Joint Board (IJB) is required to publish their Annual Performance Report by the end of July each year.
- 1.2 As a result of the Covid 19 pandemic, there has been limited staffing capacity to produce and publish this year's Annual Performance Report within the statutory timescale.
- 1.3 There are three aspects to consider in relation to publishing the IJB 2019/2020 Annual Performance Report:
- The statutory obligations of the IJB in relation to delays in reporting
 - The revised timeline for publication
 - The revised content for publication
- 1.4 This Report clarifies the obligations of the IJB in relation to publishing an Annual Performance Report and presents a plan of publications for approval.

2. Recommendations

2.1 The Integration Joint Board is asked to:

- **Note the delay in publication of the 2019/2020 IJB Annual Performance Report**
- **Approve the following actions:**
 - **To notify the public of delayed publication on the Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) website in accordance with the requirements of the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020**
 - **To publish the IJB 2019/2020 Annual Performance Report to a revised timescale of end of September 2020 using data for the calendar year 2019 for all official statistical reporting**
 - **Agree for pragmatic adjustments to be made to the content of this year's Annual Performance Report to enable a report to be produced within current officer resource and to take account of the impacts of Covid 19.**

3. Background and Main Report

- 3.1 The Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020 was passed by Scottish Parliament on the 1st April 2020 and received Royal Assent on the 6th April 2020.
- 3.2 The Act enables Scottish public authorities to decide to postpone complying with statutory duties if they are of the view that complying would be likely to impede their ability to take effective action to prevent, protect against, delay or otherwise control the incidence of transmission of Covid 19
- 3.3 Where a Scottish public authority decides to postpone complying with a duty they must publish a statement to that effect in such manner as they consider appropriate:

- on or before the date by which the report is due, or
- as soon as is reasonably practicable after the date

The Strategic Commissioning Improvement Network (SCIN) has shared a standard form of words for Partnerships to use on their websites to this.

- 3.4 The impact of managing the Covid 19 response resulted in officers being deployed to support the response and scheduled meetings of the IJB being cancelled or postponed. This has resulted in an inability to develop and publish the IJB 2019/2020 APR to the statutory timescale of the end of July.
- 3.5 A Microsoft Teams session with IJB members will be arranged to discuss the draft IJB APR prior to its submission for approval and publication by the end of September 2020.
- 3.6 We have been advised by National Services Scotland (NSS) that due to the impact of Covid 19, official performance information is incomplete for the Financial Year 2019/2020.
- 3.7 The NSS team that provides the official statistics for IJB publications have advised that Partnerships should use the 2019 calendar year for reporting this year, but to still compare against historical data for financial years.
- 3.8 The draft Scottish Government guidance notes suggest take a pragmatic approach, which includes:
- making more use of hyperlinks to other relevant documents such as (but not limited to) Annual Accounts, Locality Plans and Inspection Reports, with summary information/narrative around these being kept more brief than would normally be expected
 - brief notes that set out where capacity to report on certain aspects of activities has been constrained due to the impacts of the Covid 19 pandemic

4. Conclusions

- 4.1 The Covid 19 response has had a significant impact on:
- the capacity of officers to produce a 2019/2020 IJB APR to the legislated 31st July 2020 timescale
 - the ability to report on the financial year performance
- 4.2 The Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020 provides public authorities leave to postpone publications.
- 4.3 The guidance enables IJBs to take pragmatic decisions with regard to their statutory reporting.

5. Resource Implications

- 5.1 No additional resource is required to produce the APR, however existing officer resource is limited due to the requirement to support the ongoing Covid 19 response.

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

6.1 Robust performance management arrangements are critical to the delivery of the Strategic Commissioning Plan

7. Legal and Risk Implications

7.1 Regular performance reporting by the IJB is a legislative requirement.

8. Consultation

8.1 The content of this report has been discussed and approved by the Head of Strategic Planning, Health and Social Care Governance and Performance Team and the Strategic Commissioning Improvement Network.

9. Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment

9.1 As this paper does not propose a change to Policy 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.

APR	Annual Performance Review
HSCSMT	Health and Social Care Senior Management Team
IJB	Integration Joint Board
NSS	National Services Scotland
SCIN	Strategic Commissioning Improvement Network

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DIRECTION



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

1.	Title of Direction and Reference Number	
2.	Date Direction Issued by Integration Joint Board	
3.	Date from which Direction takes effect	
4.	Direction to	
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	