

Dumfries and Galloway  
Integration Joint Board

8<sup>th</sup> December 2022

This Report relates to  
Item 10 on the Agenda

# Review of Maternity Services in Wigtownshire

*Paper presented by Gail MacGregor – Chair of  
Transformation and Innovation / Futures Committee*

*For Approval*

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<b>List of Background Papers:</b>	<b>Appendix 1</b> – Item 4 from IJB Transformation and Innovation/Futures Committee on 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2022
<b>Appendices:</b>	As above

<b>Direction Required to Council, Health Board or Both</b>	<b>Title: Review of Maternity Services in Wigtownshire</b>		<b>Reference Number</b>
	<b>Direction to:</b>		
	1. No Direction Required		
	2. Dumfries and Galloway Council		
	3. NHS Dumfries and Galloway		X
	4. Dumfries and Galloway Council and NHS Dumfries and Galloway		

<b>1.</b>	<b>Introduction</b>																	
1.1	Following discussion at the Transformation and Innovation/Futures Committee on 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2022, a vote was held and the paper approved for the IJB's consideration and direction for NHS Dumfries and Galloway (NHS D&G) to undertake an independently chaired local service review of maternity services in the Wigtownshire locality, this will be inclusive of an options appraisal.																	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>																	
2.1	<p><b>The Integration Joint Board is asked to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>To consider this paper and issue a direction to NHS D&amp;G to undertake the review</b></li> </ul>																	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Background and Main Report</b>																	
3.1	Following the temporary suspension of intrapartum maternity services in the west of the region in 2018 due to staffing pressures, a review of services for expectant mothers is sought. This was discussed previously at the IJB Transformation and Innovation/Futures Committee on 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2022.																	
3.2	Brief background and history of this temporary suspension is detailed in Appendix 1.																	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Conclusions</b>																	
4.1	Independent chairs have been sought to ensure transparency and initial briefings have been progressed. The draft terms of reference are currently being collaborated on and will be made available in due course.																	
4.2	Additional external professional expertise will be sought as part of the stakeholder and consultation and engagement process.																	
4.3	A programme for consultation and engagement will be developed in conjunction with the Consultation and Engagement Working Group, which additionally has external representation. An identified communications lead will be available throughout the review period.																	
<b>5.</b>	<b>Resource Implications</b>																	
5.1	The approval to proceed with an options appraisal will be inclusive of an impact assessment considering financial, workforce and accessibility standards.																	
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5.2	This review will be funded by the Women, Children’s and Sexual Health Services Directorate.			
<b>6.</b>	<b>Impact on Integration Joint Board Outcomes, Priorities and Policy</b>			
6.1	The proposed models of care that will be considered will be cognisant of the IJB Strategic Commissioning Plan and the National Health and Wellbeing Outcomes.			
<b>7.</b>	<b>Legal and Risk Implications</b>			
7.1	We are unable to quantify the reputational, clinical and financial risk until the service review has been undertaken.			
<b>8.</b>	<b>Consultation</b>			
8.1	A programme for consultation and engagement will be developed in conjunction with the Consultation and Engagement Working Group, which additionally has external representation. An identified communications lead will be available throughout the review period.			
<b>9.</b>	<b>Equality Impact Assessment</b>			
9.1	An EQIA will be completed as part of the process for consideration.			
<b>10.</b>	<b>Glossary</b>			
	<b>EQIA</b>	<b>Equalities Impact Assessment</b>		
	<b>IJB</b>	<b>Integration Joint Board</b>		
	<b>NHS D&amp;G</b>	<b>NHS Dumfries and Galloway</b>		

## Dumfries and Galloway Integration Joint Board



### DIRECTION

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

1.	Title of Direction and Reference Number	Review of Maternity Services in Wigtownshire
2.	Date Direction Issued by Integration Joint Board	8 December 2022
3.	Date from which Direction takes effect	8 December 2022
4.	Direction to	NHS Dumfries and Galloway
5.	Does this direction supersede, amend or cancel a previous Direction? If yes, include the reference number(s)	Not applicable
6.	Functions covered by Direction	Maternity Services in Wigtownshire – community and inpatient services
7.	Full text of Direction	<p>Reflecting the Model of Care in the Strategic Commissioning Plan and in line with Strategic Commissioning Intention 4 'People have access to the care and support they need'</p> <p>NHS Dumfries and Galloway are asked to carry out an independently chaired review of the maternity services in Wigtownshire; this will be inclusive of an options appraisal. This should include establishment of a review group, involving key stakeholders to ensure services users, staff and relevant groups are consulted with on any options to be considered. This will include a robust consultation and engagement programme undertaken with support from an external expert. The aim is to undertake the review by Summer 2023.</p>

8.	Budget allocated by Integration Joint Board to carry out Direction	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Title</th> <th>Hours per week</th> <th>Number of weeks</th> <th>Cost</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><b>Independent chairs</b></td> <td>2 x 4</td> <td>2 x 16</td> <td rowspan="7">£30,656</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>NHS D&amp;G Professional Leads</b></td> <td>10</td> <td>16</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Review co-ordination and support</b></td> <td>10</td> <td>16</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Communications</b></td> <td>5</td> <td>16</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Analyst</b></td> <td>4</td> <td>12</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>External expert</b></td> <td>4</td> <td>16</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>				Title	Hours per week	Number of weeks	Cost	<b>Independent chairs</b>	2 x 4	2 x 16	£30,656	<b>NHS D&amp;G Professional Leads</b>	10	16	<b>Review co-ordination and support</b>	10	16	<b>Communications</b>	5	16	<b>Analyst</b>	4	12	<b>External expert</b>	4	16
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9.	Desired Outcomes	<p>Development of a sustainable model for maternity services in Wigtownshire that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reflects national and local strategy and policy</li> <li>• has fully involved stakeholders and members of the local communities in line with the national standards for communication, engagement and consultation</li> <li>• is subject to a robust Equality Impact Assessment</li> <li>• is subject to a Fairer Scotland Assessment</li> </ul>																										
10.	Is there a need for engagement with the third sector in delivery of this direction?	YES		NO																								
		<i>Tick or Cross</i> X		<i>Tick or Cross</i>																								
		Some aspects of the model may include support from third sector. This should be explored within the review.																										
11.	Performance Monitoring Arrangements	Monthly updates to Health and Social Care Leadership Group																										
12.	Date Direction will be Reviewed	June 2023																										