



Dumfries and Galloway  
Integration Joint Board

8<sup>th</sup> December 2022

This Report relates to  
Item 5 on the Agenda

# Winter Update

*Paper presented by Julie White*

*For Discussion*

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<b>List of Background Papers:</b>	N/A
<b>Appendices:</b>	<b>Appendix 1 – Dumfries and Galloway HSCP Winter Plan</b>

<b>Direction Required to Council, Health Board or Both</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Reference Number</b>
	<b>Direction to:</b>	
	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 Dumfries and Galloway Health and Social Care Partnership (D&GHSCP) have undertaken significant planning to ensure that quality of care, patient safety and access to services are maintained over the winter period. This plan has been developed to ensure we are able to respond to and recover from winter disruptions. These disruptions can include increased demand and activity due to COVID, seasonal flu, respiratory and circulatory illness, increased numbers of falls and beds closed due to higher levels of need for infection control precautions. Traditionally Social Work and Social Care experience significant surges in demand over the Winter period. Partnerships can also face challenges associated with managing workforce rotas during the festive period, and experience periods of reduced staff attendance due to seasonal illness such as flu / COVID.

## 2. Recommendations

### 2.1 The Integration Joint Board is asked to:

- **Note the Health and Social Care Partnership Winter Plan**
- **Agree to receive a presentation at the meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2022 regarding the potential Impact of Winter on the delivery of IJB Strategic Commissioning Intentions**

## 3. Background and Main Report

- 3.1 The Winter Plan attached as **(Appendix 1)** covers all areas in which the population of the Dumfries and Galloway may come into contact with Health and Social Care services and aims to ensure that, where services might be impacted by the Winter period, plans are in place to ensure that there is minimal delay or disruption.
- 3.2 Our Winter Plan 2022-23 therefore describes our how we will shape our local response in alignment with our nationally defined priorities set out in our Annual Delivery Plan, setting out a clear direction for how we will:
- Support and enhance staff wellbeing;
  - Improve recruitment and retention across our health and social care workforce;
  - Recover and protect planned care;
  - Stabilise and improve urgent and unscheduled care;
  - Support and improve social care; and
  - Our immediate response and mitigations to Pandemic / Service Pressures
- 3.3 Winter places significant additional pressure across all elements of the Health and Social Care Partnership and is likely to impact on the delivery of the IJB Strategic Plan. The Chief Officer will present the potential impact of Winter on the IJB Strategic Commissioning Intentions at the meeting on Thursday 8th December 2022.

## 4. Conclusions

- 4.1 The Winter Plan for the Health and Social Care Partnership is designed to ensure a whole system response to the significant pressures experienced throughout the Winter period. A range of measures and actions are being taken as set out in the

Winter Plan to mitigate the risk associated with under delivery of the IJB Strategic Commissioning Intentions.

## **5. Resource Implications**

5.1 In addition to baseline funding within the Health and Social Care Partnership, provision has been made for additional resource of £1.565m through new unscheduled care funding from Scottish Government and a carry forward of unspent funding from 2021/22. In addition investment was made through the additional winter pressures funding received into the Partnership as part of the budget settlement for 2022/23 and also allocating some of the IJB reserve (Winter Planning Health and Social Care) of £3.342m which was specifically allocated for winter plans. This is to support the range of measures which have been set out in more detail in the attached plan.

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

6.1 The Winter Plan is designed to ensure, wherever possible ongoing delivery of the IJB 7 Strategic Intentions. It is possible however, that the extent of the pressures during Winter will impact adversely on the delivery of the Strategic Plan. The Chief Officer will outline the measures being taken to minimise any impact in a presentation to IJB Members at the Board Meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

## **7. Legal and Risk Implications**

7.1 Risk registers for significant areas of improvements are completed at Project together with any Directorate level risk which is recorded within their risk registers to ensure risk is managed / mitigated.

## **8. Consultation**

8.1 The Winter Plan has been previously considered by the following groups as part of its development. The groups have either supported the content, or their feedback has informed the development of the content presented in this report.

- NHS Board Management Team
- Council Corporate Management Team
- NHS Board Workshop

## **9. Equality Impact Assessment**

9.1 An impact assessment has not been completed for this specific document as EQIA will be considered at either project level of Directorate level.

## **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. The table below is an example only:

<b>EQIA</b>	<b>Equalities Impact Assessment</b>
<b>IJB</b>	<b>Integration Joint Board</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	<i>Reference Number will be added once the direction is formally logged</i>
2.	Date Direction Issued by Integration Joint Board	<i>Date of the IJB Meeting which issued the Direction</i>
3.	Date from which Direction takes effect	<i>Date which is confirmed by the IJB</i>
4.	Direction to	<p><i>This can be either:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>NHS Dumfries and Galloway</i></li> <li>• <i>Dumfries and Galloway Council</i></li> <li>• <i>Both</i></li> </ul>
5.	Does this direction supersede, amend or cancel a previous Direction? If yes, include the reference number(s)	<i>This information is required to provide context to the subject of the Direction</i>
6.	Functions covered by Direction	<i>List of all the functions/services to which the Direction relates e.g. Occupational Therapy, Mental Health</i>
7.	Full text of Direction	<i>Outline what you are asking the authorities to carry out (this description should include a consideration of the role of the third sector)</i>
8.	Budget allocated by Integration Joint Board to carry out Direction	<i>Financial information must be provided and will be the resource allocated to NHS DG, DG Council or both to carry out the Direction. The Direction should consider the potential role of the third sector and the financial implications. Where the direction relates to multiple functions the financial allocation for each function needs to be specified. The Direction should also outline any savings to be made.</i>
9.	Desired Outcomes	<i>Detail what the Direction is intended to achieve. Ensure this is linked to</i>

		<i>the Strategic Commissioning Plan, the National Health and Wellbeing Outcomes and any other relevant information.</i>	
10.	Is there a need for engagement with the third sector in delivery of this direction?	<i>YES</i>	
		<i>NO</i>	
		<i>Tick or Cross</i>	<i>Tick or Cross</i>
		<i>If there is a possibility that the service is to be delivered via third sector organisations there should be consultation with the third sector on the design of the service.</i>	
11.	Performance Monitoring Arrangements	<i>Directions will be reported to the relevant IJB Committee on a 6 monthly basis.</i>	
		<i>An annual report of all current Directions will be presented to the IJB</i>	
12.	Date Direction will be Reviewed	<i>Date no more than 1 year in advance</i>	