



Dumfries and Galloway  
Integration Joint Board  
Strategic Planning, Delivery and Commissioning Committee

**Minute of Dumfries and Galloway Integration  
Joint Board Strategic Planning, Delivery and  
Commissioning Committee meeting held on  
22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025**

*For Approval*

**Minute of the Dumfries and Galloway Integration Joint Board (IJB) Strategic Planning,  
Delivery and Commissioning Committee held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025 at 2pm via  
Microsoft Teams**

**Voting Members Present:**

Greg Black	(GB)	NHS Voting Member ( <b>Chair</b> )
Linda Dorward	(LD)	Local Authority Voting Member ( <b>Vice Chair</b> )
Andy McFarlane	(AMcF)	Local Authority Voting Member

**Advisory Members Present:**

Rebecca Aldridge	(RA)	Senior Operational Manager, Social Work Services, D&G Council
Ananda Allan	(AA)	Performance & Intelligence Manager
Ewan Bell	(EB)	Professional Lead – Associate Medical Director
Nicole Hamlet	(NH)	Interim Chief Officer
Fiona Kane	(FK)	Scottish Care Representative / Chair of Strategic Planning Group
Julie Watters	(JW)	Chief Internal Auditor

**Supporting Present:**

Kirsty Bell	(KB)	Programme Manager
Gill Coupland	(GC)	Strategic Planning & Commissioning Manager
Viv Gration	(VG)	Strategy Support Manager
Gareth Marr	(GM)	Deputy Chief Officer / Chief Operating Officer
Amber Murray	(AM)	EA to Chief Officer / Chief Operating Officer
Lisa Kirkpatrick	(LK)	Transforming Primary Care Programme Manager

**Apologies:**

Vicky Keir	(VK)	NHS Voting Member
David Rowland	(DR)	Director of Strategic Planning and Transformation

## 1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies

Apologies have been noted above.

## 2. Declaration(s) of Interest

No declarations of interest were noted.

## 3. Draft Minutes of the Meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024

Notes from the meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> January 2025 were approved as an accurate record of the meeting.

## 4. Action Plan and Rolling Agenda Matrix

AM went through the ongoing actions and will continue to link with colleagues for updates.

**Action 18:** Members requested an update on behalf of this action, GM mentioned an element of confusion in terms of this, and GM has requested for a Localised Strategy based on the National Strategy and this will come to the next meeting, VG agreed to also support this.

**Action: AM**

## 5. Strategic Planning Group Update

FK confirmed to members that the views of the Strategic Planning Group inform the work of the Strategic Plan Delivery and Commissioning Committee and subsequently the IJB, and that this paper outlines the key discussion points from the Strategic Planning Group meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

Key point highlighted:

- **GMS Contract – Building a New Future Together – Shaping the Future of General Medical Services in Dumfries and Galloway**
  - A paper was presented by Greycy Bell and Lisa Kirkpatrick outlining the approach being taken in relation to the development of a new working relationship with general practice across Dumfries and Galloway
  - The SPG gave the following recommendations:
    - Direct parallels could be seen with the LongTerm Conditions Work being taken forward by the Partnership. It will be important to engage across services and across sectors
    - Engagement with stakeholders should be broad reaching with as wide a range of stakeholders as possible; offers were made to access partner networks to reach stakeholders not directly related to primary care.

GB thanked FK for her update and confirmed any issues the Group may have this can be discussed within this IJB Committee.

## Decision(s)

### Committee Members:

- **Noted the update on the work of the SPG, specifically in relation to the meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025.**

## 6. Third Sector Commissioning Presentation

VG attended and provided a presentation on the above, which was presented as a workshop on the 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025, AM will share this out following the meeting.

**Action: AM**

GM mentioned in terms of value for money, we must be as flexible as possible as we have a vary in organisations providing contracts, but VG mentioned we have some Partners without contracts agreed.

Work will be ongoing in terms this piece of work, and VG mentioned how does this inform our Budget Setting for next year and where will the commissioning priorities be.

VG will draft an update for GB to take to the IJB in June.

## **7. Social Work Visioning Piece**

GM presented and provided an overview of the presentation that himself and NH have developed this will be shared and will be discussed in a number of other forums and will be discussed in more detail.

LD mentioned in terms of Housing / RSLs, honest conversations are required as a lot of high expectations are expected, and mentioned she has had a lot of concerns raised regarding decision making etc, especially in terms of the Maternity decision out West.

AMcF highlighted the disconnect in the Partnership they are not as joined up as what they should be a strong connection is needed, AMcF will pick up a chat out with the meeting with LD regarding the concerns in the West around Maternity.

## **8. Long Term Conditions and Rehab Alliance Update**

KB highlighted this paper outlines a comprehensive strategy for addressing the management and care delivery of individuals with Long-Term Conditions including Managed Clinical Networks and Rehabilitation needs with Dumfries and Galloway, focusing particularly on a whole-system approach.

In recent years, there has been growing recognition of the need for a holistic and integrated approach to Long-Term Conditions management and rehabilitation, driven by the increasing prevalence of chronic diseases and the complexity of care and support required to address them effectively. Long-Term Conditions, including conditions such as diabetes, cardiovascular disease, and cancer, pose significant challenges to health and social care systems worldwide due to their long-term nature and impact on quality of life.

This proposal aims to integrate and strengthen the management of key Long-Term Conditions and rehabilitation, including dementia, cardiovascular disease, and cancer, within a unified governance structure. By bringing these together under one Alliance, we seek to reduce duplication, enhance collaboration, and foster a holistic approach to health and social care. This initiative is pivotal as it addresses the current fragmentation and isolation among services, providing a unified approach, thereby promoting efficiency, reducing duplication, improving outcomes, and enhancing the wellbeing of our communities.

KB also mentioned following FK update a specific update was given at the Strategic Planning Group on the 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025, this is in first draft but will continue to change.

FK mentioned at the Prioritisation Workshop a discussion was had in terms of organisations that could offer more than what they are commissioned to provide. KB highlighted if we get this correct it will align with the visioning piece of work.

EB thanked members for the discussion and declared an interest and mentioned we are missing something in terms of Managed Clinical Networks and fully supports from a clinical level, but further work is required in terms of a steering group. KB will link in terms of a meeting with networks.

**Action: KB**

**Decision(s)**

**Committee Members:**

- **Approved the Integration Joint Board for establishing the Long-Term Conditions and Rehabilitation Alliance.**

**15.18pm G Coupland and L Kirkpatrick joined**

**9. GMS - Building a New Future Together: Shaping the Future of General Medical Services in Dumfries and Galloway**

Both GC / LK attended to give Committee Members an update via a presentation, IJB Workshop being held on Thursday 24th April on *"Building a New Future Together: Shaping the Future of General Medical Services in Dumfries and Galloway"* the streamlined presentation will be shared.

**Action: AM**

EB mentioned this is a good piece, but currently we don't have consistency and equity in Primary Care which creates inefficiencies of pathways and do we have much space for scope if we have a basic core GMS Contract. LK agreed we do have 32 independent contracted holders, and will have different opinions in providing services.

Operational aspects are being a main focus at the moment, and GC confirmed the message is being developed at the moment.

**10. Health and Social Care Workforce Plan Update**

Report was shared prior to the committee for noting, M Shrimpton had another commitment and required to note his apologies.

**Decision(s)**

**Committee Members:**

- **Noted the Health and Social Care Workforce Plan**

**11. Any Other Business**

No AOCB was noted.

**12. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of this Committee will be on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025 at 2pm via Microsoft Teams.