

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE PARTNERSHIP BOARD

At a Meeting of the West Dunbartonshire Health & Social Care Partnership Board held in Committee Room 3, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton, on Wednesday, 16 November 2016 at 2.00 p.m.

- Present:** Gail Casey (Chair), Jonathan McColl and John Mooney (Substitute for Councillor Martin Rooney), West Dunbartonshire Council; and Heather Cameron, Allan Macleod and Rona Sweeney, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Health Board.
- Non-Voting Members** Keith Redpath, Chief Officer; Julie Slavin, Chief Financial Officer; Barbara Barnes, Chair of the Local Engagement Network – Alexandria & Dumbarton; Kenneth Ferguson, Clinical Director for the Health & Social Care Partnership; Wilma Hepburn, Professional Nurse Advisor; Jackie Irvine, Chief Social Work Officer; Diane McCrone, NHS Staff Side Co-Chair; Anne McDougall, Chair of Local Engagement Network – Clydebank; Neil McKay, Chair of Locality Group – Alexandria & Dumbarton; Kim McNabb, Service Manager, Carers of West Dunbartonshire; Peter O'Neill, WDC Staff Side Co-Chair of Joint Staff Forum; Selina Ross, Chief Officer of West Dunbartonshire Council for Voluntary Services.
- Attending:** Julie Lusk, Head of Mental Health, Learning Disability & Addictions; Soumen Sengupta, Head of Strategy, Planning and Health Improvement; Chris McNeill, Head of Community Health & Care; Gillian Gall, People and Change Manager; Anne Marie Murdoch, Senior Organisational Development Adviser; Jamie Dockery, Strategic Housing Officer; Nigel Ettles, Principal Solicitor and Nuala Borthwick, Committee Officer.
- Apologies:** Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Martin Rooney, Janice Miller, Professional Advisor, Allied Health Professional¹ and Martin Perry, Acute Consultant, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde.

Councillor Gail Casey in the Chair

¹ As corrected by West Dunbartonshire Health & Social Care Partnership at its meeting on 1 March 2017

CHAIR'S REMARKS

The Chair, Councillor Casey, drew the Partnership Board's attention to recent Celebrating Staff Successes events that the Chairman of NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Health Board hosted on 7 November 2016, and specifically West Dunbartonshire's local winners who were recognised at the event, as undernoted:-

- Child Protection in General Practice – represented by Kerry Milligan and Annie Ritchie
- Addressing Child Sexual Exploitation – represented by Jean Cameron and Carron O'Byrne
- Improving Evidence Based Care in Physiotherapy – represented by Karen Glass, Louise Ross and Jo Chambers
- Technology Enabled Care – represented by Jim Slaven, Richard Heard and Lynne McKnight
- See Hear – represented by Helen Faye and Wendy Jack

Councillor Casey also acknowledged the undernoted Partnership Teams who had recently been recognised nationally:-

- Community Hospital Discharge Team was a finalist at the 2016 Scottish Health Awards
- Prescribing Support Team was recognised as the Self-Management Supporting Health and Social Care Partnership of the Year at the 2016 Health and Social Care Alliance Scotland Awards

Finally, Councillor Casey advised that the undernoted looked after and accommodated young people had been recognised for their accomplishments and contributions at the West Dunbartonshire Youth Alliance Special Awards Event:-

- Dylan McKenzie
- Josh McEvoy

The Partnership Board agreed to extend congratulations to all winners on their outstanding achievements.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was noted that there were no declarations of interest in any of the items of business on the agenda.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of Meeting of the West Dunbartonshire Health & Social Care Partnership held on 17 August 2016 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE PARTNERSHIP BOARD

A report was submitted by the Head of Strategy, Planning & Health Improvement seeking to nominate the Health & Social Care Partnership's new Chief Financial Officer to be a non-voting member on the Partnership Board.

Having heard the Chair, the Partnership Board agreed to affirm the appointment of Julie Slavin as a non-voting member of the Partnership Board.

ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 2015/16

A report was submitted by the Chief Financial Officer presenting the Annual Audit Report prepared by the Health & Social Care Partnership Board's external auditors, Audit Scotland and Accounts to Health & Social Care Partnership Board members for the financial year ended 31 March 2016.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Financial Officer in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Partnership Board agreed:-

- (1) to note the previous recommendation of the Partnership Board of 25 May 2016 to remit the approval of the Annual Report and Accounts to the Audit Committee for the financial year 2015/16;
- (2) to note the contents of the Annual Report to the Partnership Board and the Controller of Audit for the Financial Year ending 31 March 2016; and
- (3) to welcome the achievement of a qualification free first set of HSCP Board accounts.

FINANCIAL REPORT 2016/17 AS AT PERIOD 6 (30 SEPTEMBER 2016)

A report was submitted by the Chief Financial Officer:-

- (1) providing an update on the financial performance and capital work progress of the West Dunbartonshire Health & Social Care Partnership for the period to 30 September 2016 (period 6);
- (2) providing an update on the financial planning process for both health care and social care for 2017/18; and

- (3) providing an update on the work undertaken with regard to implementation of the Scottish Living Wage to all adult care workers.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Officer and the Chief Financial Officer in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, Councillor Mooney, seconded by Councillor Casey, moved the undernoted motion:-

The Partnership notes that the Council has identified £2million to put into the social care budget but notes that the financial situation is still very challenging.

The Partnership further notes that the outstanding NHS savings for 2016/17 of £955k will now largely be covered by a one-off non-recurring allocation of £909k from NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde.

This is simply a cut deferred, and there will be substantial cuts to services by the Health Board next year. This Partnership should not be starting life making cuts to services for some of the most vulnerable, including people with mental health problems, which the Scottish Government claim is a priority.

The Partnership does not accept any cuts to public services and we will not set a final budget until we know the scale of the Health Board's cuts when they set their budget in June.

Therefore, the Partnership calls on the Scottish Government to fully fund public services such as West Dunbartonshire Council, the Health & Social Care Partnership and NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde.

Given the above, the Partnership agrees the recommendations as amended below:-

Note that the revenue position is reporting an over-spend of £160k as at 30 September. However, the services are needs led and the HSCP is concerned that the end of year overspend could be as much as £320k;

Note the management action on reducing cost pressures with the aim of bringing revenue position back to financial balance;

Note that the Health Board has transferred £909k of non-recurring funds to offset against savings targets. However, as indicated above, this suggests that we will have larger savings to make in future;

Rejects the proposed savings options in Social Care for 2017/18 and rejects the cuts to public services and calls on the Scottish Government to fully fund West Dunbartonshire Council and NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde, rather than imposing draconian cuts year on year;

Agree that discussions continue with the Council regarding its contribution to the Partnership once the Scottish Government and Health Board have confirmed their public service cuts;

Welcome the investment by the Partnership and the Council in implementing the Scottish Living Wage from October. However, the Partnership is concerned that not all social care workers will be entitled to the Living Wage;

The Partnership notes that the final set of savings options will come to the next HSCP meeting in March 2017 after the Council has set its budget, but considers that this should be delayed until June, after the Health Board has set its budget.

The Partnership notes that the NHS, Council and HSCP budgets are out of line with each other; and

As noted above, the Partnership is concerned that the Scottish Government allocations to Health are expected to be 7% lower than in 2016.

The Partnership notes with great concern that the proposed savings options will affect some of the most vulnerable in our society, for example those with mental health problems, which the Scottish Government claims is a priority.

The Partnership notes that when HSCPs were first mooted by the Scottish Government, the Cabinet Secretary gave a commitment to fund them.

Therefore, the Partnership agrees to write to the Health Minister demanding that the Scottish Government honours its commitment to fund the HSCP.

Failing this commitment, the Partnership notes that the HSCP's funding position is unsustainable going forward, especially in the light of our deprivation figures and our ageing population.

Having heard the Chair, Councillor Casey, the Partnership Board agreed to adjourn at 2.25 p.m. for a short period in order to consider the terms of the motion.

The meeting resumed at 2.35 p.m. with all members detailed in the sederunt in attendance.

Having heard both the Chief Officer and the Principal Solicitor in answer to Members' questions and in clarification of certain procedural matters, Councillor McColl, seconded by Ms Cameron, moved the undernoted amendment:-

The IJB agrees the recommendations at 2.1 of the report (namely):-

- (1) to note that the revenue position is reporting an overspend of £0.160m (-0.2%) for the period 1 April to 30 September 2016;
- (2) to note that management action on reducing cost pressures and maximising income will continue, with the aim of bringing the revenue position back to financial balance by the end of the financial year;

- (3) to note that the Health Board has identified and transferred (in Period 6) £0.909m of non-recurring relief to offset the in-year shortfall against savings targets, based on management action to implement the savings approved in the previous report;
- (4) that the proposed 2017/18 Social Care savings options, should be subject to public consultation and appropriate staff/patient group consultation²;
- (5) that discussions continue with the Council in regard to the level of its contribution to the Partnership once the actual financial allocations from the Scottish Government are known;
- (6) to note the work undertaken over recent months by the Partnership and the Council, to progress the implementation of the Scottish Government's commitment to pay all adult social care workers a fair rate of pay 1 October 2016; and
- (7) that a final set of savings proposals be submitted to the next meeting of the IJB for approval.

We thank Councillor Mooney for bringing the motion forward, many of the sentiments of which will be shared by all members of the IJB.

There are a wide range of factors having an impact on Council, Health and other public service budget and the IJB does not think it is helpful at this time to get into a potentially highly politicised debate around these issues; it should be noted that the Scottish Government does not have a majority in the Scottish Parliament and will require support from other parties through democratic processes of the Scottish Parliament to set a budget, therefore the Cabinet Secretary is not in a position to guarantee anything at this stage.

However the IJB notes that the Scottish Government continue to state that the NHS in Scotland is receiving record funding, yet our IJB is being ask to make cuts. These two facts do not add up and we ask the Chair of the IJB to write to the Scottish Government and the Chair of the Health Board seeking an explanation.

During consideration of this matter, the Chief Officer and the Chief Financial Officer were heard in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions.

On a vote being taken, 2 Members voted for the motion and 4 for the amendment which was accordingly declared carried.

² As corrected by West Dunbartonshire Health & Social Care Partnership at its meeting on 1 March 2017

2016/17 HEALTH CARE SAVINGS OPTIONS

A report was submitted by the Chief Financial Officer presenting the Health & Social Care Partnership Board with the 2016/17 Health Care Savings options.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Officer and the Head of Mental Health, Learning Disability & Addictions in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Partnership Board agreed:-

- (1) to approve the savings options to establish budget balance to the Health budget in 2016/17;
- (2) to note that the Health Board had identified significant non-recurring relief to offset the in-year shortfall against savings targets and that non-recurring funding has been allocated to the Partnership as at Period 6 (30th September 2016); and
- (3) that a Members' Briefing would be issued to Members to provide more detailed information on implementation of the savings options.

PUBLIC PERFORMANCE REPORT APRIL – JUNE 2016

A report was submitted by the Head of Strategy, Planning & Health Improvement seeking approval of the Partnership's Public Performance Report for the first quarter of 2016/17 (April to June 2016).

After discussion and having heard the Chief Officer, the Head of Children's Health, Care & Criminal Justice and the Head of Community Health & Care in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Partnership Board agreed:-

- (1) to approve the Partnership Public Performance Report for April to June 2016 for publication; and
- (2) that a Briefing Note would be issued to Members providing more updated figures for homecare hours and interventions.

ADJOURNMENT

Having heard the Chair, Councillor Casey, the Partnership Board agreed to adjourn for a short period.

The meeting resumed at 3.59 p.m. with all Members listed on the sederunt in attendance.

STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER - UPDATE

A report was submitted by the Head of Strategy, Planning & Health Improvement seeking approval of the updated Strategic Risk Register for the Health & Social Care Partnership.

After discussion, the Partnership Board agreed to approve the updated Strategic Risk Register attached to the report.

WINTER PLAN 2016/17

A report was submitted by the Head of Community Health & Care Services seeking approval of the Winter Plan for 2016/17.

After discussion, the Partnership Board agreed to approve the Winter Plan 2016/2017.

WORKFORCE AND ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT PLAN UPDATE

A report was submitted by the Head of People and Change seeking endorsement of the Partnership's Workforce and Organisational Development Strategy Support Plan update for 2015-16 and revised support plan for 2016-17.

After discussion and having heard the Head of Community Health & Care in answer to a question from a Member, the Partnership Board agreed to endorse the Workforce and Organisational Development Strategy update for 2015-16 and revised support plan for 2016-17.

STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS

A report was submitted by the Head of Strategy, Planning & Health Improvement seeking approval of the Strategic Partnership Agreements with West Dunbartonshire Community Volunteer Service, Carers of West Dunbartonshire and Scottish Care.

After discussion, the Partnership Board agreed to approve the strategic partnership agreements with West Dunbartonshire Community Volunteer Service, Carers of West Dunbartonshire and Scottish Care.

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE LOCAL HOUSING STRATEGY 2017 - 2022

A report was submitted by the Head of Strategy, Planning & Health Improvement seeking endorsement for West Dunbartonshire's new Local Housing Strategy for the 5 year period 2017–2022.

After discussion and having heard the Head of Strategy, Planning & Health Improvement and the Strategic Housing Officer in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed to endorse the West Dunbartonshire Local Housing Strategy 2017-2022.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS FOR NOTING

The undernoted draft Minutes of Meetings were submitted and noted:-

- (1) Draft Minutes of Meeting of the Argyll, Bute and Dunbartonshires' Criminal Justice Social Work Partnership Joint Committee held on 8 September 2016.
- (2) Draft Minutes of Meeting of the Health & Social Care Partnership Board Audit Committee held on 14 September 2016.
- (3) Draft Minutes of Meeting of the Clinical & Care Governance Group held on 27 May 2016.
- (4) Draft Minutes of Meeting of the Joint Staff Forum held on 28 July 2016
- (5) Draft Minutes of Meeting of the Health & Social Care Partnership Locality Group for Alexandria & Dumbarton held on 20 September 2016.
- (6) Draft Minutes of Meeting of the Health & Social Care Partnership Locality Group for Clydebank held on 30 August 2016.
- (7) Draft Minutes of Meeting of the Joint Locality Engagement Network held on 9 November 2016.

It was agreed that the draft Minutes of Meeting of the Joint Staff Forum held on 25 October 2016 would be circulated to Members of the Partnership Board.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Having heard the Chair, Councillor Casey, the Partnership Board agreed:-

- (1) that the meeting previously agreed to be held on Wednesday, 15 February 2016 would now be held on Wednesday, 1 March 2017 at 2.00 p.m. in Committee Room 3, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton G82 3PU; and
- (2) that a further meeting would be held on Wednesday, 31 May 2017 at 2.00 p.m. in Committee Room 3, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton G82 3PU.

The meeting closed at 4.20 p.m.