



Thursday 7th June 2018

Chief Officer's Report

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Executive summary

The paper sets out the key service pressures and service developments happening across Midlothian IJB over the previous 4 weeks and looks ahead to the following 4 weeks.

Board members are asked to:

- 1. Note the issues and updates raised in the report*
 - 2. To agree that the draft annual accounts are approved by the Audit & Risk Committee meeting on 20 June 2018*
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Chief Officer's Report

1. Purpose

- 1.1 This report provides a summary of the key activities within health and social care over the previous month and future key developments.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 To note the issues and updates raised in the report

3. Background and main report

Service Developments

Highbank Intermediate Care Facility

The Care Inspectorate recently undertook an inspection of Highbank, which provides intermediate care and assessment to people over 65 years and is a key strand of supporting a shift in the balance of care. As it was a follow-up report, the Inspection focused on 2 keys, Quality of Care & Support and Environment. In terms of Quality of Care & Support, this was graded as being 4 (Good), noting staff were warm and caring towards residents and encouragement by staff for residents to do their physiotherapy exercises to support rehabilitation. The grade for Environment was 3 (Satisfactory) and this reflects that Highbank was originally built as a Care Home over 30 years ago and is no longer fit for its new purpose of delivering high-quality, person-centred care, assessment and rehabilitation. There is a currently a business case being developed to request capital funding to enable the reprovision of Highbank to ensure it can meet the needs of Midlothian residents and to better reflect the changing model of care.

Quality Issues

Springfield Bank Care Home – the Care Home continues to be managed under the Large Scale Investigation (LSI) protocol as part of our Adult Support and Protection Procedures. At the recent LSI meeting, it was reported that a significant number of improvement actions have now been completed and there is evidence to suggest that good progress is being made. There is a further meeting planned in June to review the situation and the existing moratorium of admissions remains in place.

Voluntary Sector Summit

Following an approach by the voluntary sector reference group within Midlothian, an event was held on 30 May with key voluntary sector colleagues and the H&SCP management team to look at how we can work together more effectively and efficiently as well as building new partnerships, creating new ways of working. A verbal update on outputs from this event will be provided to the IJB.

IJB Annual Report

Under the legislation, there is a requirement for the IJB to publish an Annual Report (and to make this publicly available) by the end of July each year. However, ISD Scotland are not able to provide performance data against the core suite of indicators until the end of June. The two options would either have been to publish the annual report with data that is over 12 months out of date or to publish the annual report without IJB approval due to the next meeting not being until 23 August – this has previously been raised as an issue by Audit. This has been highlighted with Scottish Government and we have agreed that in order to comply with good governance, the annual report will be held back to allow for approval by the IJB prior to publication. A holding statement will be published on the website to this effect.

IJB Annual Accounts

Following the financial out-turn for the year end by each of the Partners, the work has now begun on preparing the annual accounts. The timescales for this process is publication of a draft by the end of June and the final, audited, version signed off by the end of September. There is a special meeting of the IJB to consider and approve the final accounts planned for 13 September 2018.

Unfortunately, due to timescales associated with producing the financial accounts by each of the Partners, it has not been possible to prepare the draft annual accounts for this meeting of the IJB. Given the timescales noted above for the production of the draft annual accounts, the IJB is asked to agree that the draft accounts are approved at IJB Audit & Risk Committee on 20 June 2018.

Involving Carers

The Midlothian IJB remains committed to ensuring there is full engagement with carers at all levels of the IJB, including participation in the Board and across policy, planning and service development. The Coalition of Carers in Scotland have produced a further report examining carer involvement in IJB, which highlights areas of good practice and areas for further development. The H&SCP Planning Officer and Integration Manager met with the report authors to discuss our local arrangements. As ever, there are areas within Midlothian that we could improve but there are many examples demonstrating where we are doing well to support carer involvement in the IJB. The report is attached as an appendix for information.

4 Policy Implications

- 4.1 The issues outlined in this report relate to the integration of health and social care services and the delivery of policy objectives within the IJBs Strategic Plan.

5 Equalities Implications

- 5.1 There are no specific equalities issues arising from this update report.

6 Resource Implications

- 6.1 There are no direct resource implications arising from this report.

7 Risks

- 7.1 The key risks associated with the delivery of services and programmes of work are articulated and monitored by managers and, where appropriate, reflected in the risk register.

8 Involving People

- 8.1 There continues to be ongoing engagement and involvement with key stakeholders across the Partnership to support development and delivery of services.

9 Background Papers

None

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Appendix: Equal, Expert and Valued – Edition Two