

Midlothian Integration Joint Board



Thursday 25th August 2022, 14.00-16.00

Chief Officer Report

Item number: 5.1

Executive summary

The paper sets out the key service pressures and service developments happening across Midlothian IJB over the previous month and looks ahead to the following 8 weeks.

Board members are asked to:

- *Note the updates within the report*

Chief Officer Report

1 Purpose

- 1.1 The paper sets out the key strategic updates for Midlothian IJB over the previous month and looks ahead to the following 8 weeks.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 As a result of this report Members are asked to:
- Note the updates highlighted by the Chief Officer

3 Background and main report

3.1 Chief Officer

Midlothian IJB Chair

Members were updated at previous meetings of the intention of Carolyn Hirst to step down as Midlothian IJB Chair, and as a member of the Board from end August 2022. Carolyn has provided significant leadership and support to the Board and been instrumental to progress made over the last 18 months. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Carolyn for her commitment to Midlothian and wish her success in future ventures.

IJB Directions 2022/23

Following the agreement of the Board at June 2022 Board meeting, Directions have been issued to NHS Lothian and Midlothian Council Chief Executives. We await confirmation of these, and the Board will be updated when received.

Scheme of Integration

NHS Lothian and Midlothian Council have approved the revised Scheme of Integrations for Midlothian IJB. This has now been submitted to Scottish Government for approval. Once confirmation received, this should then be formally issued to the Board.

IJB Standing Orders

Once confirmation from Scottish Government has been received that the Midlothian Scheme of Integration has been approved, work will commence to review the IJB standing orders. Work is anticipated to take place across September and brought to the Board in October for review.

Code of Conduct & Register of Interest

The Code of Conduct has been reviewed and approved. Scottish Government have requested that once Board members have confirmed their compliance with the Code of Conduct and completed Registers of Interests, both documents must be published on the HSCP website. The revised Code of conduct can be found on the HSCP website here [Who we are - Midlothian Health and Social Care Partnership](#)

System pressure

System pressure across the whole health and social care system remains significant. Rising covid infection rates, coupled with covid related absence, workforce challenges and annual leave, continues to provide challenges for the HSCP team. Additional demand relating to patient flow, and pressure on acute hospital beds and care home bed availability continue to impact on operational performance on delayed discharge. A review of the HSCP Care at Home model is underway, to utilise and embed learning from other areas, to maximise efficiency, capacity and providing the right care model for Midlothian residents.

New Board members

Welcome to Dr Rebecca Green who has commenced in post as new Clinical Director for Midlothian HSCP on 18th July. Rebecca will replace Dr Hamish Reid on Midlothian IJB.

Morag Barrow, Chief Officer - Morag.barrow@nhsllothian.scot.nhs.uk

3.2 Integration

Scottish Government Framework for Community Health and Social Care Integrated Services

Board members were updated in June, on work to bring a Quality Management System approach across the HSCP. As part of this work, Scottish Government are supporting the HSCP in undertaking an innovative approach to deliver/update service specifications that are aligned to the Framework for Community Health and Social Care Integrated Services. This is an evidence-based framework that determines the foundations for best practice integrated care. This will support the mapping of current delivery, recognise existing good practice, and support self-evaluation to identify service gaps and inform recommendations to the Board in relation to IJB Directions for 2023/24.

Information about the framework can be found [here](#).

Gill Main, Integration Manager - Gill.main@nhsllothian.scot.nhs.uk

3.3 Adult Services

Drug Misuse Figures

The National Records of Scotland (NRS) have recently released the drug misuse death figures for Scotland in 2021. In 2021 the NRS recorded 23 drug-related deaths in Midlothian; 16 males and 7 females representing an increase of 2 deaths from 2020. This is in the context of a significant population increase in Midlothian with population growth from 93,871 in 2020 to an estimated 96,473 (2.77%) in 2022.

A briefing was provided by Nick Clater to IJB members, and it is anticipated that there will be a wider development session on substance use at the September IJB Development Session.

Nick Clater, Head of Adult Services - nick.clater@midlothian.gov.uk

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 Directions

- 5.1 The report reflects the ongoing work in support of the delivery of the current Directions issued by Midlothian IJB.

6 Equalities Implications

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

7 Resource Implications

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

8 Risk

- 8.1 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.

9 Involving people

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

10 Background Papers

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Appendices: