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Chief Officer's Report

Item number: 5.2

Executive summary

The paper sets out the key service pressures and service developments happening across Midlothian IJB over the previous 2 months and looks ahead to the following 4 weeks.

Board members are asked to:

- 1. Note the issues and updates raised in the report*

Midlothian Integration Joint Board

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 two months and future key developments.

2. Recommendations

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

3. Background and main report

IJB Directions 2023/24

Directions for 2023/24 have been issued to NHS Lothian and Midlothian Council in line with Scheme of Integration requirements. These were issued to both Chief Executive Officers on 31st March.

Hybrid IJB meetings

It was agreed by the IJB that Board meetings would continue to be held virtually over winter 2022/23, with a hybrid solution in place for 2023/24. Securing a facility that can provide the infrastructure to support a hybrid model within Midlothian has been challenging. An initial site was identified, but feedback from other users report issues with connectivity.

There is an opportunity to hold a hybrid meeting within Council Chambers in Midlothian House, Dalkeith. Internal infrastructure work is being progressed by Midlothian Council, and there will be an opportunity to consider this as a venue from June 2023 onwards.

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Appointment of the Clinical Lead Physiotherapist

I am delighted to inform the Board that, after a competitive recruitment process, Fionna MacKinnon has been successful in the role of Clinical Lead Physiotherapist for Midlothian HSCP. Fionna has been covering the post in an interim position for the last couple of years and has done a tremendous job in challenging circumstances whilst attempting to cover a full clinical caseload. Fionna will have operational responsibility for the MSK and GP Advanced Physiotherapy Practitioner (GP APP) teams and professional responsibility for all Physiotherapists in integrated teams in the HSCP.

Fionna is the final part of the puzzle that forms the AHP Leadership Team in Midlothian alongside myself, Karen Henderson (Head of Dietetics), Lynn Freeman (Clinical Lead Occupational Therapist) and Matthew Curl (Digital Programme and Midcare Manager).

Progress of the Governance and Assurance Framework

March sees the end of a year-long period of testing and iterative development of the AHP Governance and Assurance Framework with data entry via a PowerApp and output via a Tableau dashboard. This testing phase has enabled the framework, App and dashboard to be co-designed and adapted to meet the needs of the AHP's across Lothian (including Council Occupational Therapists). Final changes have been made and the framework is now live for all AHP's across Lothian from 1st April 2023 enabling the AHP Director (NHS Lothian) and Chief Officers in the HSCP's to obtain professional governance assurance for the AHP's in their areas. Additionally, this framework will form the basis of the development of a Hosted Service Report for the HSCP's that is being led by Midlothian HSCP in codesign with the Dietetics Service.

As a component of the overarching Quality Management System for Midlothian HSCP, the framework has been adapted to provide a system for operational governance for all services within Midlothian HSCP. Colleagues in NHS Lothian eHealth Innovation Team have built a PowerApp and corresponding dashboard and it anticipated that training and testing will begin during Quarter 1 2023/24. In anticipation of the framework, the operational teams are in the process of developing their Group Service Specifications, Service Plans and Team Plans which will enable them to identify baseline performance and quality measures that can be reporting against through the Midlothian HSCP Governance and Assurance Framework.

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Planning, Performance and Programme: Workforce

In recognition of our commitment to Workforce Planning, the HSCP created a new Programme Manager post to support Workforce and Strategy. Kevin Dickson joined the Planning, Performance, and Programme team in February 2023 and comes with a long and impressive history of working in workforce planning. Kevin is an expert in workforce planning methodology, workforce tools, and the Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) legislation. The officers of the HSPC are looking forward to working with Kevin and supporting this key agenda.

Third Sector partners

The Third Sector Summits continue to be an important quarterly event for all partners. As part of the Third Sector Summit in January 2023, the Planning Team facilitated an interactive feedback session to gather views and opinions on how we can continue to improve this key forum and meet the needs of all partners. Feedback has been collated and analysed for discussion and review at the next Third Sector Summit

Anticipatory Care Planning (ACP)

The HSCP Programme Team continue to support work on Anticipatory Care Planning (ACP). NHS Lothian Care Academy have acknowledged Midlothian's ACP project and the adoption of a human rights-based approach linked to this project as exemplar and have established a working group to spread this approach across Lothian.

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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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