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| Committee Chairperson: | IJB Vice Chair: Mehvish Ashraf |

1. Purpose of Paper

The purpose of this paper is to inform the NHS Board on key items of discussion at the East Renfrewshire Integration Joint Board (IJB) which took place on [28 January 2026](#).

2. Recommendation

The Board is asked to note the key items of discussion at the recent meeting of the IJB as set out below and seek further information or assurance as required.

3. Key Items of Discussion

- **IJB Work Programme**

The IJB approved the proposed work programme which sets out a structured cycle of business for the year ahead as well as agreeing to seminar programme and IJB member visits to services. IJB members welcomed the proposal and improved clarity around planning, oversight and governance.

- **IJB Chief Officer Update**

The IJB noted the Chief Officer's update which recognised key achievements and provided an update shaped around outcomes. The Chief Officer also highlighted the communications priorities, work around valuing our workforce, including wellbeing and the commitment to Civility Saves Lives which the IJB agreed to embed across the partnership.

- **People Story – Youth Intensive Services**

A powerful and moving video was shared showing the journey of a young person's return home from secure care. It highlighted the significant and intensive amount of work by the team to build relationships and trust with the young person and their family and the difference this can make to people's lives.

The IJB expressed strong appreciation for the team and their values which shone through in the video. They recognised the positive impact of the practice model on people's lives and it was noted that whilst this work is very staff intensive, the cost from a young person remaining in secure care can be around £10,000 per week.

- **IJB Voting Rights**

The IJB was updated on the Scottish Government work exploring extending voting rights on IJBs to people with lived experience. The IJB has submitted a response to the consultation and discussed issues of accountability and how members would be supported. It was agreed that a small local working group would be established and nominations were provided by the IJB. A national ShortLife Working Group is also being established which both the IJB Chief Officer and Voluntary Action Chief Officer have volunteered to be a part of. IJB members were also advised that Scottish Parliament have also launched a consultation seeking views. -Life Working Group

- **Annual Climate Statement**

The IJB noted the HSCP annual climate statement which sets out how HSCP will work with partners to contribute to organisational climate goals and recognises the importance of business continuity plans which are key to responding to extreme weather events. Members were pleased to see a focus on adaptations and contingency planning.

- **Adults and Healthy Communities Programme**

The IJB approved the new programme and governance structure to deliver the Adults and Healthy Communities transformation agenda which has a focus on early intervention, prevention and strengthening local partnerships. The programme is aligned to our financial planning and the Combined Delivery Plan 2026-27 and will report into the strategic planning group, with individual projects already scheduled for update and discussion at the IJB. The IJB agreed the importance of third sector, service users and carers being involved and were reassured that people with lived experience will be included and having a workstream approach will hopefully make it easier to contribute in a meaningful way. We will also use the planning for people approach to ensure people's voices are core in planning services for the future whilst realising best value.

- **Unpaid Carers**

The IJB considered proposals relating to future arrangements for unpaid carer support and agreed with the proposal to extend the current contract with the carers centre for 12 months to enable a public social partnership to be established which will allow a period of review and opportunity to co-design a future all age information and advice service alongside carers, people with lived experience and the third sector. -design a future

- **Governance Strategy and Action Plan**

The IJB approved the high level governance strategy and noted the actions that will inform the review to consolidate the governance framework. IJB were supportive of the work and it was noted that there would be a particular focus on the risk strategy and management. A workshop will be held with IJB members to support further development of the strategy and a governance framework and action plan, including agreement as to language and areas of focus.

- **Revenue Budget Monitoring Report**

The IJB received an update on the Scottish Government draft budget announce as well as the routine monitoring report which shows an overall break-even position, with further cost reductions in social care since last reported.

Members noted their continued concern around the prescribing budget with some members seeking assurance regarding the delivery of health-related savings. Concerns about the significant pressure on Councils budget were also raised. The Chief Officer confirmed that there will be workstreams alongside the dedicated prescribing action plan with further updates in March. It was also noted that health and social care savings must be considered as part of a single integrated budget. Future budget proposals will be discussed in March 2026.

4. Issues for referral to Standing Committees of the Board or escalation to the NHS Board

There were no issues for referral or escalation to other Standing Committees or the NHS Board.

The HSCP continue to look at every opportunity to reduce costs to try to balance, or at least mitigate our pressures come year end. A seminar is planned for February to look at savings proposals in more detail to enable delivery of a balanced budget.

5. Approved Minutes from IJB Meeting held on 19 November 2025

At the January meeting, the minute of 19 November was approved subject to changes. The minute from the January meeting will be discussed in March 2026.

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6. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the East Renfrewshire IJB will take place on 25 March 2026.