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Date of IJB	14 August 2024
Committee Chairperson:	Mehvish Ashraf, IJB Vice Chair

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 [14 August 2024](#).

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

- **Adult Services Front Door and Peer Professional Review Group Presentation**

There was a presentation on our initial contact team 'front door' for adult health and social care, and the Peer Professional Review Group (PPRG) which has been established to support staff undertaking reviews as part of our supporting people framework.

The presentation was well received and the IJB took assurance that individuals who are not eligible for formal services are able to receive alternative support through community and third sector partners.

- **Health and Care Experience Survey (HACE) – Access to Primary Care results**

An overview of the HACE survey results was presented to the IJB following discussion at the last meeting around access to GP appointments. It was noted that on the whole results were good with 75% of respondents providing a positive rating to the 'overall care provided by a GP practice', which is higher than both the Scotland and GGC averages.

There was some questions around specific data and whether it would be possible to undertake further analysis to allow us to focus on areas for improvement. The Chief Officer provided assurance that we will continue to work with individual practices and GP clusters to address any local issues and areas for improvement.

- **PCIP Community Treatment and Care (CTAC) Service - Bloods and Go**

A report on 'Bloods and Go' was presented. The service was introduced in June in order to assist with the 60% of phlebotomy work still within GP practices. Initial feedback from patients and GPs has been very positive and other partnerships have expressed interest in the model. It was confirmed that there is no impact on labs or transport as this does not increase the number of tests.

- **Alcohol and Drug Partnership Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Standards**

The report shows that we have made good progress since the last update to IJB in June 2023. We continue to report quarterly to Scottish Government and have achieved 'green' ratings for standards 1-5, and 'provisional green' for standards 6-10 which is the highest possible assessment for these standards at the current time. This reflects that numerical measures for these standards have not yet been developed.

Feedback from those who use the service has been positive and we will continue to look at developments in particular how we better integrate addictions and mental health services.

- **Audit Scotland Report: Integration Joint Boards Finance and Performance**

An overview of the Accounts Commission report prepared by Audit Scotland on IJBs Finance and Performance was presented based on 2022/23 information. There were no surprises from the report with messages mirroring that of the local issues and challenges that we have been discussing at IJB for some time.

The report states that community health and social care faces unprecedented pressures and financial uncertainty with rising unmet need. To respond to the significant and complex challenges all the bodies involved need to work collaboratively on addressing the issues – IJBs alone cannot address the crisis in the sector. The next iteration of this annual report will be produced jointly with the Auditor General for Scotland and will take a whole system approach and will make recommendations to the Scottish Government, councils, NHS boards as well as IJBs, as appropriate.

- **Revenue Budget Monitoring**

The revenue monitoring report was presented which is the first report for this financial year. The projected position to the end of the financial year shows an overspend of £1.241 million or 0.76% of the total budget which is a result of a number of factors:

- £2.713m shortfall projected against savings plans
- £2.067m pension gain
- £0.595m operational pressures

The projected overspend against our NHS funded activity is driven by prescribing pressures and we are undertaking a programme of work with support from the NHS GGC central prescribing team to help us identify any further savings opportunities in this area.

The position against our social work and social care funded activity shows a projected underspend of £0.692 million after offsetting the expected savings shortfalls and operational pressures.

- **Charging for Services 2024/25 and beyond**

A report setting out proposed in-year changes to charges for community alarms and Bonnyton House was presented. The proposals were agreed at the IJB seminar in May for submission to Council Cabinet in June, however this was delayed due to the election. The timescale for the in-year charges has therefore been revised and the IJB were in agreement that these should be implemented from January 2025. All charges are based on the ability to pay and all need to be agreed by the Council per current legislation.

A further report on charges for 2025/26 will be presented in September.

- **Delayed Discharge Position**

We had our regular update on our Delayed Discharge position and it was noted that AWI continues to be our biggest challenge and that performance has declined in this area. Overall performance of discharges not reaching delay has reduced to 85% from 98% which is most likely due to care at home delays.

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 make every effort to contain spend and deliver the required savings.

5. Approved Minutes from IJB Meeting held on 26 June 2024

The minute of 26 June 2024 was approved subject to a small spelling amendment. The minute from the August meeting will be discussed at the September 2024 meeting.

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6. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the East Renfrewshire IJB will take place on 25 September 2024.