

NORTH LANARKSHIRE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD (FINANCE AND AUDIT) SUB – 1 December 2016

Kirklands Hospital, Bothwell, 1 December 2016 at 2 pm.

Note of Meeting of the NORTH LANARKSHIRE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD (FINANCE AND AUDIT) SUB-COMMITTEE

PRESENT

North Lanarkshire Council: Councillor Logue (Chair).

NHS Lanarkshire: M. Fuller (Vice-Chair) and Dr. A. Osborne.

Board Members: H. Robertson, North Lanarkshire Carers Together.

CHAIR

Councillor Logue (Chair) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

M. Shankland, Legal and Democratic Solutions; K. Adamson, Head of Audit and Inspection; J. Campbell, Service Manager, and U. Coleman, Finance and Administration Manager (NLC) and A. Armstrong, Divisional Nurse Director and M. Moy, Finance Officer (S.95).

APOLOGIES

Councillor Kelly, Dr. G. Ellis and K. Moffat.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN TERMS OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000

1. No declarations were made.

WELFARE REFORM UPDATE

2. There was submitted a report dated 1 December 2016 by the Chief Accountable Officer (1) providing an update on significant changes around Welfare Reform, together with actions taken to mitigate the impact in North Lanarkshire; (2) detailing the background relative thereto; (3) setting out a summary of key issues; (4) outlining the position with (a) Universal Credit; (b) the Scottish Welfare Fund; (c) Housing Services (Temporary and Supported Accommodation); (d) Financial Challenges, and (e) Food Poverty, and (5) containing, in the Appendix to the report, Health and Social Care Welfare Reform Monitoring Report Overview - April 2015 to March 2016.

Decided: that the contents of the report be noted.

FAMILY NURSE PARTNERSHIP

3. There was submitted a report dated 1 December 2016 by the Chief Accountable Officer (1) outlining the options in respect of continuity of the Family Nurse Partnership in Lanarkshire; (2) detailing the background relative thereto; (3) highlighting the potential financial implications, subject to confirmation of the Scottish Government funding in 2017/18; (4) setting out a summary of key issues, and (5) containing, in the Appendix to the report, "Providing Lanarkshire Children with the Best Possible Start in Life" Programme.
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Decided:

- (1) that the contents of the report be noted, and
- (2) that a further update report be submitted to a future meeting of the Integration Joint Board following confirmation of Scottish Government funding during December 2016.

BUDGET 2016/2017 UPDATE

4. There was submitted a report dated 1 December 2016 by the Chief Accountable Officer (1) outlining the budget for North Lanarkshire Health and Social Care Partnership for the financial year 2016/17; (2) detailing the background relative thereto; (3) advising (a) that the initial allocation for the financial year 2016/17 totalled £525.017m, and (b) that following confirmation of the NHS budget and the further refinement and disaggregation of the Social Work/In Scope Housing Services, the updated allocation for the financial year 2016/17 totalled £534.953m, and (4) setting out, in the Appendix to the report, a breakdown of how the budget would be allocated.

Decided: that the contents of the report be noted.

RESERVES POLICY

5. With reference to paragraph 3 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 27 September 2016, when it was agreed that a Reserves Policy be submitted to the next meeting of this Sub-Committee, there was submitted a report dated 1 December 2016 by the Chief Accountable Officer (1) presenting a proposed Reserves Policy for the Integration Joint Board; (2) detailing the background relative thereto; (3) indicating (a) that the Integration Joint Board had the same legal status as a local authority and was empowered to hold reserves under Section 106 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, and (b) that a Reserves Policy and a Reserve Strategy therefore required to be developed to provide security against unexpected cost pressures and to aid financial stability, and (4) setting out a summary of key issues.

Decided: that the report be remitted to the Integration Joint Board with the recommendation that the proposed Reserves Policy for the Integration Joint Board be approved.

FINANCIAL MONITORING REPORT 2016/17

6. There was submitted a report dated 1 December 2016 by the Chief Accountable Officer (1) providing a summary of the financial position of the North Lanarkshire Health and Social Care Partnership for the period from 1 April to 31 October 2016 (Health and Care Services) and 1 April to 14 October 2016 (Social Work Services); (2) detailing the background relative thereto; (3) seeking authority to allocate non-recurring funding of £1.200m to Social Work Services in 2016/17; (4) outlining (a) in Appendix A of the report, a summary of the financial monitoring report; (b) in Appendix B of the report, Health Care Services, and (c) in Appendix C of the report, Social Work and In Scope Housing Services.

Decided: that the report be remitted to the Integration Joint Board with the recommendation that the proposed allocation of non-recurring funding totalling £1.200m to Social Work Services in 2016/17 be approved.

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RESOURCE PLANNING STRATEGY – ORAL UPDATE

7. The Chief Accountable Officer orally updated Members on the Resource Planning Strategy which included an outline of the approach to identifying future efficiency savings options, the management of financial pressures and performance targets.

Decided: that the position be noted.

INTERNAL CHARTER AND REPORTING PROTOCOL

8. There was submitted a report dated 1 December 2016 by the Chief Accountable Officer (1) seeking approval of a proposed Internal Audit Charter and Reporting Protocol for the Integration Joint Board for the financial year 2016-17 which had been prepared by the Head of Audit and Inspection of the Council and the Chief Internal Auditor of NHS Lanarkshire Health Board; (2) detailing the background relative thereto, and (3) outlining (a) in Appendix 1 of the report, the Internal Audit Charter, and (b) in Appendix 2 of the report, the Internal Audit Reporting Protocol.

Decided: that the Internal Audit Charter and Reporting Protocol for the Integration Joint Board for the financial year 2016/17 be approved and noted.

NHS SCOTLAND 2016 – AUDIT SCOTLAND REPORT – OCTOBER 2016

9. There was submitted a report dated 1 December 2016 by the Chief Accountable Officer (1) highlighting the key findings of the Audit Scotland Report on NHS in Scotland 2016, as contained within the Appendix to the report; (2) detailing the background relative thereto, and (3) setting out a summary of key issues recommended by Audit Scotland.

Decided: that the contents of the report be noted.

RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE

10. There was submitted a report dated 1 December 2016 by the Chief Accountable Officer (1) providing an update on the Risk Management Register, as contained within the Appendix to the report; (2) detailing the background relative thereto, and (3) setting out a summary of key issues.

Decided: that the contents of the report be noted.
