

REPORT

Item No: 10

SUBJECT:	Independent Review of Adult Social Care
TO:	Integration Joint Board
Lead Officer for Report:	Chief Officer
Author(s) of Report	Chief Officer
DATE:	01.06.21

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

This paper is coming to the Integration Joint Board (IJB)

For approval	<input type="checkbox"/>	For endorsement	<input type="checkbox"/>	To note	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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2. ROUTE TO THE BOARD

This paper has been:

Prepared	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reviewed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Endorsed	<input type="checkbox"/>
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By: the Core Management Team

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 IJB members are asked to:

- Note that a self-assessment exercise is underway and will report to the September 2021 meeting of the IJB;
- Note the five key areas of collaboration set out between COSLA and Scottish Government;
- Note the Scottish Government's planned consultation exercise around the proposed National Care Service within the first 100 days of the parliamentary term and the need to ensure IJB members are able to participate.

4. VARIATIONS TO DIRECTIONS?

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5. BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

5.1 Background

5.1.1 Members will recall the paper tabled at the March 2021 meeting of the IJB that summarised the findings of the Independent Review of Adult Social Care. The paper asked members to note the content of the report; agree that future reports will be tabled once the Scottish Government has made clear its response to the recommendations within; and agree to a self-assessment analysis to be undertaken to set out the Health and Social Care Partnership's position against the recommendations.

5.1.2 The national Chief Officers' Group shared a self-assessment template based on key recommendations from the review, with the aim of identifying areas of best practice across Scotland that could be shared.

5.1.3 Work is underway on the self-evaluation process, which will be used to support the IJB's responses to the forthcoming consultation around the proposed National Care Service.

5.2 Moving forwards

5.3.1 On 24th March 2021, a joint statement was released by COSLA and Scottish Government outlining a commitment to create plans around five key areas for development by May 2021:

- Minimum standards framework for terms and conditions and for effective voice across the whole of the social care workforce, leading to shared ethical commissioning principles
- An end to charging for non-residential services as soon as possible
- The overhaul of the current mechanism of eligibility criteria to ensure an approach to social care support that is based on human rights and needs
- A mechanism which ensures the voices of those with lived experience are at the heart of policy development, service design and service delivery
- Ensuring that unpaid carers are fully supported to have a life alongside caring, in order to protect their health and wellbeing and better sustain caring roles.

5.3.2 As a partnership, we have already been engaged in some of the development work around commissioning principles and support for carers. As these plans come to fruition, we will ensure the IJB is fully sighted on the local implications emerging.

5.3.3 In addition, the Scottish Government noted a commitment within the first 100 days of the parliamentary term to:

- Start formal consultation on the legislation around a National Care Service with a view to introducing it in the first year of the parliament
- Establish a social covenant steering group, including those who use our care services, to ensure the new service is designed around the needs of care users and supports the needs of care workers.

5.3.4 Depending on timing, we may require to schedule a special meeting of the IJB to ensure all members are able to fully contribute to this process.

6. CONCLUSIONS

6.1 In summary, there are strong and positive aspirations laid out within the independent review report, which tie closely with the long-established model within North Lanarkshire as evidenced within the self-assessment undertaken.

- 6.3 Moving forwards, work has already commenced between COSLA and the Scottish Government to set out planned developments around 5 key areas of the review, with the partnership being asked to contribute to some of these.
- 6.3 There will be further consultation work undertaken within the first 100 days of the parliamentary term on the proposed National Care Service and we will ensure IJB members are able to fully contribute to the process.

7. IMPLICATIONS

7.1 NATIONAL OUTCOMES

This paper impacts on all of the national outcomes.

7.2 ASSOCIATED MEASURE(S)

none

7.3 FINANCIAL

This paper has been reviewed by Finance:

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7.4 RISK ASSESSMENT/RISK MANAGEMENT

A new risk will be considered as the Scottish Government response to the review is known.

7.5 PEOPLE

None

7.6 INEQUALITIES & FAIRER SCOTLAND DUTY

EQIA Completed & Fairer Scotland Impact Assessment Form Completed:

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

9. APPENDICES



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