



Minute

IJB Clinical and Care Governance Committee

2.00pm, Thursday 17 February 2022

Microsoft Teams

Present:

Richard Williams (Chair), Councillor Robert Aldridge, Colin Beck, Helen FitzGerald, Councillor George Gordon, Jackie Irvine, Jacqui Macrae, Ian McKay, Allister McKillop

In attendance: Matthew Brass, Helen Elder, Mark Grierson, Mike Massaro-Mallinson

Apologies: None.

1. Minutes

Decision

To approve the minute of the meeting of the Clinical Care and Governance Committee held on 11 November 2021 as a correct record.

2. Annual Cycle of Business

(Reference – Annual Cycle of Business, submitted)

3. Rolling Actions Log

The rolling actions log updated to February 2022 was presented to Committee.

Decision

1) To agree to close the following actions:

- Action 2 – Edinburgh Joint Carers Strategy 2019-2022 Strategic Key Performance Indicators.
- Action 3 – Annual Cycle of Business

- Action 4 – Physical Disabilities
- Action 6 – Assurance Framework for Mental Health Services.

2) To otherwise note the remaining outstanding actions.

(Reference – Rolling Actions Log, submitted)

4. Learning Disabilities

Assurance was sought on the provision of learning disability services across the Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership. The report gave an update on service provision before and during the pandemic and highlighted the plans to sustain and improve levels of assurance in the longer-term.

Members questioned the limited scope of the report and highlighted the services that provide learning disability care that were not included in the report, this included provision in clinical care and provision in localities. Although there was recognition that the report author could only report on his service area, members raised concerns of the ‘false assurance’ that could be incurred if the Committee were to only consider one specific part of the system, but take assurance on learning disability service provision as a whole.

Members also questioned the ability of learning disability services to return to pre-pandemic levels once restrictions were fully eased, and it was noted that some service users preferred the current model of delivery compared to pre pandemic services.

It was noted that the current staffing crisis and the confidence of service users to return to in-person meetings may challenge this, however, changes in the way services are delivered – as a result of the pandemic – may result in a new normative approach to learning disability service delivery. Despite the staffing crisis, officers praised staff for their ability to ensure no slippage in care for service users.

Decision

To agree to present a report to the next Committee meeting on all the services provided for people with a learning disability, in particular the Community Learning Disability Teams in order to achieve a representative assurance level.

The committee felt unable to accept the recommendations at this time but agreed to use these as guidance to seek further assurance.

(Reference – Report by the Disability Support and Strategy Manager, submitted)

5. Health and Safety Update

An update on the management of health and safety matters within the Health and Social Care Partnership was presented to the committee for noting. Members were assured that the Partnership was managing health and safety processes and were encouraged by the work being undertaken in relation to staff who don't have access to IT equipment, with the roll out of TotalMobile addressing these concerns.

Decision

To note the information provided in the report.

(Reference – Report by the Service Director – Operations, EHSCP, submitted)

6. Terms of Reference

The Committee's Terms of Reference (ToRs) were presented for review. As per the ToRs, the review required to be undertaken annually and subsequently referred to the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board for approval.

Decision

- 1) To review and agree the Terms of Reference
- 2) To refer the Terms of Reference to the EIJB for formal ratification following discussion and agreement at this meeting.

(Reference – Report by the Service Director – Operations, EHSCP, submitted)

7. Vaccination Programme Update

This verbal update was not heard by the Committee. It was agreed to summarise the update into a briefing note and circulate this to members following the Committee meeting. A more substantial written update on the programme would be considered at the next Committee meeting.

Decision

To circulate a briefing note to Committee members which provided an update on the vaccination programme.

8. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was to be confirmed.