



Minute

Edinburgh Integration Joint Board

10.00am, Tuesday 2 February 2021

Held remotely by video conference

Present:

Board Members:

Angus McCann (Chair), Councillor Ricky Henderson (Vice-Chair), Councillor Robert Aldridge, Colin Beck, Carl Bickler, Andrew Coull, Councillor Phil Doggart, Tony Duncan, Christine Farquhar, Helen FitzGerald, Councillor George Gordon, Kirsten Hey, Martin Hill, Ian Mackay (from item 4), Jacqui Macrae, Councillor Melanie Main, Moira Pringle, Judith Proctor, Ella Simpson and Richard Williams.

Officers: Matthew Brass, Kirsty Dewar, Ann Duff, Tom Cowan, Tony Duncan, Rachel Gentleman, Lauren Howie, Jenny McCann and Katie McWilliam.

Apologies: Peter Murray

1. Minutes

Decision

To approve the minute of the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board of 15 December 2020.

2. Rolling Actions Log

The Rolling Actions Log for February 2021 was presented.

Decision

- 1) To agree to close the following actions:
 - Action 2 – Ministerial Strategic Group and Audit Scotland Integration Reviews – Edinburgh Update.
 - Action 3 – Enhancing Carer Representation on Integration Joint Boards.
 - Action 4 – Carer and Service User Representatives.

- Action 6 – Edinburgh Primary Care Improvement Plan Update
- Action 7 – Chief Social Work Officer’s Annual Report 2019/20.
- Action 8 – Preparations for Winter 2020-2021.

2) To note the remaining outstanding actions.

(Reference – Rolling Actions Log, submitted).

3. Finance Update

The Board was presented with an update on the projected in-year financial performance. Updated positions of both partner organisations were also provided.

It was noted that the latest projections indicated a year-end overspend of £19.2 million before the application of additional Covid-19 funding from the Scottish Government. A further allocation was due to be confirmed which would cover additional Covid-19 related costs including non-delivery of savings and offsetting cost reductions. The Chief Finance Officer gave moderate assurance that there would be a balanced position at year-end.

Decision

- 1) To note the current year end forecasts provided by the IJB’s partners.
- 2) To note the funding allocations received to date to meet the additional costs of COVID-19.
- 3) To note that a further and final allocation would be agreed following information submitted in January 2021.
- 4) To note the moderate assurance given by the Chief Finance Officer on the year end outturn for delegated services.
- 5) To request a briefing on the short-term strategy and funding in place for Mental Health services.

(Reference – Report by the Chief Finance Officer, Edinburgh Integration Joint Board, submitted).

4. Edinburgh Joint Carers Strategy Spending Plan

A report on the Edinburgh Joint Carers Strategy (EJCS) Spending Plan was presented to the Board, which updated members on the initial proposed implementation strategy of the £35.4m allocated funding to the EJCS over a 5-year period.

Developed through consultation with carers, the report included data on where carers themselves thought the allocation of funding would make the biggest difference, and following this consultation, the report presented the following areas where the funding allocation would be focused:

- Identifying carers and information & advice;
- Health and wellbeing;
- Short breaks;

- Young carers;
- Personalising support; and
- Contingency and innovation.

It was noted that the distribution of funding may change as new information and evidence became clear as work progressed.

Decision

- 1) To note the spending plan associated with the delivery of the EJCS 2019-2022.
- 2) To agree the amended direction to implement the EJCS 2019-2022 and associated implementation plans.
- 3) To circulate previously completed Integrated Impact Assessments (IIAs) in relation to the carers strategy.
- 4) To confirm whether the completed IIAs encompassed Human Rights IA principles.

Declaration of Interest

Christine Farquhar declared a non-financial interest as a former trustee of VOCAL and as a guardian of someone in receipt of funding.

Ella Simpson declared a non-financial interest as Chief Executive of EVOC which had a Service Level Agreement in place to provide services.

(Reference – Report by the Chief Officer, Edinburgh Integration Joint Board, submitted).

5. Ministerial Strategic Group & Audit Scotland Integration Reviews – Edinburgh Update

An update on the progress of the implementation of the recommendations from the Ministerial Strategic Group (MSG) Action Plan was presented to the Board.

The report assured members that progress had continued to be seen in relation to actions taken from the MSG review across the EIJB, the Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership, NHS Lothian and the City of Edinburgh Council.

The report detailed the completed actions and the areas where, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, some work had been paused as staff were relocated to support the COVID-19 response. As a result, some timescales for completion had been revised.

Decision

- 1) To note the progress with the MSG action plan.
- 2) To direct the Chief Officer and Chief Finance Officer to continue to work with NHS Lothian and City of Edinburgh Council to ensure delivery against wider partnership actions.
- 3) To receive a further update report in January 2022.
- 4) To review the 100% completion rating given to Key Feature 2.1 as there has not yet been a session on the Set Aside Budget.

(Reference – Report by the Chief Officer, Edinburgh Integration Joint Board, submitted).

6. Appointments to the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board and Committees

A report informing the Board of a change of membership was presented.

Decision

- 1) To appoint Bridie Ashrowan as a non-voting member of the Joint Board to replace Ella Simpson with effect from 1 March 2021, as requested by the Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations' Council.
- 2) To appoint Bridie Ashrowan as a non-voting member to the Strategic Planning Group.

(Reference – Report by the Chief Officer, Edinburgh Integration Joint Board, submitted).

7. Committee Update Report

A report was presented which provided an update on the work of the IJB Futures Committee which had met since the last Board meeting. In addition to the summary report, a draft minute of the Futures Committee was submitted for noting.

Decision

To note the update and the draft minute of the Futures Committee.

(Reference – Report by the Chief Officer, Edinburgh Integration Joint Board, submitted.)

8. Valedictory Remarks

The Chair gave thanks to Ella Simpson who was retiring from EVOC for serving on the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board and wished her well in the future.