



# Minute

## IJB Clinical and Care Governance Committee

**2.30pm, Thursday 8 September 2022**

Microsoft Teams

**Present:**

Councillor Vicky Nicolson (Chair), Helen FitzGerald, George Gordon, Peter Knight, Jacqui Macrae, Councillor Claire Miller

**In attendance:** Matthew Brass, Angela Brydon (for item 6), Nikki Conway, Helen Elder, Jon Ferrer, Mark Grierson, Sarah Hayden, Mike Massaro-Mallinson, Emily Traynor and David White (for item 7)

**Apologies:** Allister McKillop

### 1. Minutes

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**Decision**

To approve the minute of the meeting of the Clinical Care and Governance Committee held on 17 February 2022 as a correct record.

### 2. Annual Cycle of Business

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The Annual Cycle Business updated to September 2022 was presented. Members were assured that the themes throughout the ACOB were responsive to current issues and had been agreed by the previous Committee.

**Decision**

To agree the updated annual cycle of business attached at appendix 1.  
(Reference – Annual Cycle of Business, submitted)

### 3. Rolling Actions Log

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

**Decision**

To agree to close the following actions:

- Action 1 – Self Directed Support.
- Action 2 – Edinburgh Drugs & Alcohol Partnership Update
- Action 3 – Learning Disabilities
- Action 4 – Vaccination Programme

(Reference – Rolling Actions Log, submitted)

#### **4. Self Directed Support Update**

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An update on self directed support was presented to Committee to provide assurance in relation to the duties and responsibilities of the EHSCP under the Social Care (Self Directed Support) (Scotland) Act 2013.

The report highlighted the gaps in resources which limited the assurance that could be provided, and members questioned what had to be done to move to a more assured position. The problems with Swift and the absence of a Resource Allocation System (RAS) were noted of concern, as well as the lack of a clear, robust assurance framework.

It was noted that the path to a more assured position was a long process, with the need for significant additional resource and finance, as well as potential revisions to the EHSCP Strategic Plan.

#### **Decision**

- 1) To recognise the work that has taken place to identify and document the mechanisms EHSCP have in place that could be used to provide assurance in relation to the SDS Act 2013.
- 2) To acknowledge that an assurance framework is required to further develop this work.
- 3) To note that the development of an assurance framework would require significant investment in IT and human resource.
- 4) To report back to Committee on the steps required to provide assurance on Self Directed Support.

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

#### **5. Learning Disabilities**

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Assurance was provided on the service provision for people with a learning disability prior to and during the pandemic. The plans to maintain a moderate level and progress to a full level of assurance in the long term were also presented.

Members noted the crossover in children's and adult services to be of concern and acknowledged that, in order to move to a full assurance level,

a formal structure and funding model would need to be developed specific to children's services. Despite the concerns, members were assured that children were still supported in the current system.

Further concerns were noted on the level of vacancies in the sector alongside the vast community infrastructure needed to fully support people with complex needs.

### **Decision**

- 1) To support the Innovation and Sustainability programme of change for learning disability services.
- 2) To work with Children's services to ensure safe and effective partnership in supporting people through community teams.
- 3) To support the development of more community based professional staff to support people in their homes.
- 4) To await the Innovation and Sustainability report going to the September EIJB and make a decision on whether an update report on the recommendations 1,2 and 3 is needed following discussion at the Board meeting.

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

## **6. 2021-22 Annual Assurance Statement**

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The Committee's annual assurance statement for 2021-22 was presented for approval before it's referral to the Audit and Assurance Committee.

Despite the change in membership since the Statement was drafted, new members noted the concerns of their predecessors, most significantly, the concerns surrounding the working practices of the Committee, the relationship with the Clinical and Care Governance Group, and the limited professional membership.

### **Decision**

- 1) To agree the draft annual assurance statement for 2021-22, subject to amending the assurance ratings where a split rating was given to the lowest level applicable.
- 2) To arrange an informal Committee meeting for October to review the assurance statement findings in-depth and plan for improvement in Committee working practices.

(Reference – Report by the Chief Finance Officer, EIJB, submitted)

## **7. Evaluation of Edinburgh HSCP Winter Vaccination Programme 2021-22**

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A report on the Edinburgh Winter Vaccination Programme for 2021-22 was presented for information. Members noted their thanks to all staff involved in the efforts to deliver the Programme.

### **Decision**

To note the update.

(Reference – Report by the Edinburgh Primary Care Support Team, submitted)

## **8. Date of Next Meeting**

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The date of the next meeting was noted as Thursday, 3 November 2022.