

**East Ayrshire Health & Social Care Partnership
Integration Joint Board
23 October 2024 at 2pm
Council Chambers/ MS Teams**

Present:

- *Dr Sukhomoy Das, NHS Non-Executive Director (Chair)
- Mr Craig McArthur, Director of Health and Social Care
- Mr Alex McPhee, Interim Chief Financial Officer
- Ms Dalene Steele, Associate Nurse Director
- *Councillor Clare Maitland, East Ayrshire Council
- *Councillor Douglas Reid, East Ayrshire Council
- Ms Arlene Bunton, Scottish Care Representative/ Independent Sector Lead
- Ms Allina Das, RCN Representative
- *Ms Jennifer Wilson, NHS Executive Nurse Director
- *Neil McAleese, NHS Non-Executive Board Member
- *Councillor Neill Watts, East Ayrshire Council
- *Councillor Kevin McGregor, East Ayrshire Council
- *signifies a voting member***

In Attendance:

- Mr Jim Murdoch, Senior Manager Wellbeing and Recovery
- Mr Erik Sutherland, Head of Locality Health & Care
- Marion MacAulay, Head of Children's Health, Care and Justice Services
- Ms Dale Meller, Senior Manager Public Protection & Learning
- Ms Amanda McInnes, Senior Manager Business Support
- Ms Lianne McInally, AHP Senior Manager
- Ms Julie Ross-Binning, Senior Business Support Officer
- Mr Neil Kerr, ADP independent Chair
- Ms Lorna McIlreavy, Partnership Engagement Officer
- Ms Stephanie Preston, Programme Officer
- Ms Fiona Pirrie, Co CEO, East Ayrshire Carers Centre (IJB Stakeholder Representative)
- Ms Meghan Aird, Finance Analyst
- Mr Charles Staines, Senior Finance Analyst
- Ms Moira Fenton, Health & Wellbeing Partnership Manager CVO
- Ms Marie Furniss, Senior Manager Localities
- Ms Laura McGarrity, Clinical Director, Theatres and Preoperative Services
- Ms Heather Johnstone, Podiatry Team Manager
- Mr Ewan McGill, Communications Officer
- Ms Debbie Nicoll, Planning and Performance Officer
- Ms Yvonne Campbell, Staff Nurse
- Ms Emma Cowley, Staff Nurse
- Alison Anderson, Committee Secretary (Minutes)

Agenda	Discussion	Action
1.	<p><u>Welcome & Apologies</u></p> <p>Dr Sukhomoy Das welcomed everyone to the meeting and noted apologies from Councillor Maureen McKay, Sheila Cowan, Lynne McNiven, Alexia Pellowe, Hendrika Psaila, and Isabella Paton.</p>	
2.	<p><u>Declaration Of Interest</u></p> <p>None noted.</p>	
3.	<p>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 28 August 2024 • 25 September 2024 <p>The minutes were approved as an accurate record of discussions.</p>	
4.	<p><u>Matters Arising</u></p> <p>OPSG Full Report – paper on agenda for today’s meeting.</p> <p>Advised of two previous actions raised at August meeting which have now been closed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Officer to write to North and South IJB Chief Officers requesting a financial recovery plan for their respective lead partnership services. • Presentation on GIRFE Pathfinder Project to be brought to September IJB Development Session 	
5.	<p><u>GOOD NEWS STORY: Community Appointment Day for Podiatry and MSK</u></p> <p>Ms Lianne McNally, along with Heather Johnstone and Lorna McIlreavy, delivered a presentation on ‘Community Appointment Day for Podiatry and MSK’ and explained the ongoing engagement and services available.</p> <p>Dr Das noted that the presentation informed on many elements including good practice, working challenges and engagement.</p>	
6.	<p><u>Climate Change Duties Report</u></p> <p>Mr Craig McArthur presented the Integration Joint Board’s Annual Climate Change Report which is required to be completed by all public bodies and submitted to Sustainable Scotland Network by 30 November 2024.</p>	

	<p>It was noted that East Ayrshire Council and NHS Ayrshire and Arran will submit separate returns, and links to these will be provided to the IJB for information.</p> <p>The Members noted the report and approved the following recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Approve the content of the report for submission to Sustainable Scotland Network; and, ii. Note the reports from East Ayrshire Council and NHS Ayrshire and Arran Health Board are not yet available, but once submitted, will be highlighted to a future meeting of the IJB. 	
7.	<p><u>Outwith Placements Screening Group – Full Report</u></p> <p>Ms Marion MacAulay presented the report to advise of the use of externally purchased residential and education provision in 2023/24, and the arrangements through Outwith Placement Screening Group (OPSG) in this regard. The report also covered recent changes to OPSG and ongoing developments to support children and address the budget challenges.</p> <p>The report also noted the range of preventative approaches considered as well as current pressures and challenges.</p> <p>Dr Das noted the challenging aspects of the service and the financial costs associated with this.</p> <p>Marion advised that all Scottish authorities procure outwith placements via arrangements negotiated by Scotland Excel, to support the management of supplier performance and costs.</p> <p>The Board noted the following recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Note the use of outwith placements in 2023/24; (ii) Note the continuing challenges in predicting levels of demand, need and risk; (iii) Note the challenges to achieve a balanced budget and actions to address this; (iv) Note the ongoing work taking place to enhance family support requirements; (v) Otherwise note the contents of this report. 	
8.	<p><u>Annual Report Chief Social Work Officer 2023-2024</u></p> <p>Ms Marion MacAulay presented the Chief Social Work Officer Annual Report reflecting the period 1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024. The report provided an overview of professional activity for social work and social care within East Ayrshire through the delivery of statutory functions and duties held by the Chief Social Work Officer of East Ayrshire Council.</p>	

	<p>A presentation was provided further highlighting the service and thereafter discussion ensued of profiled areas.</p> <p>The Board noted the report and recognised the following recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Receive the Annual Report of the Chief Social Work Officer 2023-2024; ii. Note its submission to the Scottish Government; iii. Note that the report was presented to East Ayrshire Council on 29 August 2024; iv. Recognise the dedication and commitment of those delivering social work and social care services for the people of East Ayrshire 	
<p>9.</p>	<p><u>Participation and Engagement Strategy 2023-2024</u></p> <p>Mr Jim Murdoch provided IJB members with an overview of engagement activities undertaken in line with the Participation and Engagement Strategy 2023-26 and associated action plan.</p> <p>Members agreed to support the formation of an implementation group to deliver the strategy and associated action plan.</p> <p>Enquiry was made as to the appropriateness of patients having to disclose personal and confidential medical problems to receptionists at GP Surgeries. It was highlighted of the training that reception staff receive, and the initial triage function they are undertaking.</p> <p>The Board noted the report and agreed the following recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Receive the report; ii. Review the Action Plan Update 2024; iii. Note the range of activities undertaken; iv. Review the findings from the Quality Framework self-assessment; v. Endorse the approach being taken and the recommendation at to form an Implementation Group; and vi. Provide any further actions or recommendations. 	
<p>10.</p>	<p><u>Financial Management Report as at 30 September 2024</u></p> <p>Mr Alex McPhee presented the report to provide details of the projected outturn position for the East Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership for 2024/25, based upon the current financial position as at 30 September 2024 (month 6) and including movements on the Annual Budget 2024/25 approved by the IJB on 20 March 2024.</p> <p>The report highlighted anticipated delivery of approved Financial Recovery Plan savings in the current year, as well as additional cash releasing efficiency savings approved as part of the budget for 2024/25, and confirmation of funds within the IJB Reserve following approval of 2023/24 audited Annual Accounts on 25 September 2024.</p>	

	<p>The report also provided a summary of the projected outturn position on services managed under Lead Partnership / Hosted Services arrangements, as well as information on Acute Services budgets in relation to the large hospitals Set Aside resource within the scope of the Strategic Plan, and highlighted underlying risk factors, which have the potential to impact on the projected outturn position for 2024/25 and going forward.</p> <p>In relation to the non-filling of vacancies, it was confirmed that robust processes had been put in place.</p> <p>The Board noted the following recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Note the 2024/25 projected outturn position for East Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership at 30 September 2024, including specific key actions on significant variances; (ii) Note that this projected outturn position includes achievement of Financial Recovery Plan savings for 2024/25 which, alongside additional demand are key risks, and will require to be monitored closely over the remainder of the financial year; (iii) Note the current position in respect of IJB Reserve balances following approval of the 2023/24 audited Annual Accounts on 25 September 2024; (iv) Note progress towards achievement of additional cash releasing efficiency savings which been approved for 2024/25; (v) Note the projected outturn position in respect of services managed under Lead Partnership / Hosted Services arrangements; (vi) Note the current position in respect of large hospital Set Aside budgets; (vii) Note underlying risk factors and consequences which will potentially impact in 2024/25 and going forward; (viii) Note that as a consequence of the 2024/25 projected outturn position that a second iteration of the Financial Recovery Plan will require to be presented at the next meeting of the IJB on 11 December 2024: and (ix) Otherwise note the content of the report. 	
11.	<p><u>Vision for the Future of EACH</u></p> <p>Ms Marie Furniss presented the report to seek the agreement of the IJB to progress East Ayrshire Community Hospital (EACH) Model of Care work. It was noted that priority is given to delivering services and activities that aim to improve the overall health and wellbeing of the people of Cumnock and surrounding area and to agree to achieving this by enhancing existing in-patient and out-patient services and working with Health and Social Care, Third and Voluntary Sector partners, Cumnock Community and other organisations.</p>	

	<p>It was noted that there is real opportunity for EACH, especially in regards to dementia care, being a true example of joint working and using this collaboration to provide the best possible service.</p> <p>It was advised that work is ongoing as to how East Ayrshire shapes dementia care research going forward and that conversations have already taken place with colleagues from the University of Worcester around this. External funding to support further collaborative work around dementia is being actively pursued. It was noted that the Council had agreed to provide funding for the next 4 years (£150,000/per year) to undertake innovative work to increase the number of Power of Attorneys in place for high risk individuals in the year following a dementia diagnosis.</p> <p>The Board agreed the following recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Receive the report; ii. Note and comment on the report; iii. Endorse the restated vision for EACH as set out in the report; iv. Agree the identified priority areas described in the report; v. Endorse the intention of developing EACH as a local resource which will seek to improve wellbeing outcomes for the East Ayrshire population, and; vi. Further note and comment on the report. 	
12.	<p><u>East Ayrshire Children’s Services Annual Performance Update 2023-24</u></p> <p>Ms Marion MacAulay provided the IJB with an overview of the progress achieved in 2023-24 in advancing the 5 key priority themes identified in the Children and Young People’s Services Plan 2023-26.</p> <p>The report also details how services have helped to improve outcomes for children, young people and families in this period.</p> <p>It was noted that a lot of work has been carried out around understanding how children and families can be supported to come out of poverty and to ensure they have access to the best opportunities and supports.</p> <p>The Board noted the following recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Note the scale and breadth of the vital support that has been delivered in partnership and the progress made in relation to addressing key strategic priority areas over the 2023-24 period; (ii) Note the achievements of local children, young people, families and carers in 2023/24 and their contributions to East Ayrshire in this period; (iii) Note that the Annual Report has been approved by the Children and Young People’s Strategic Partnership and Child Protection Committee and has also been considered by NHS Ayrshire and 	

	<p>Arran Board and will be presented to East Ayrshire Council on 31st October 2024.</p> <p>(iv) Otherwise note and comment on the report.</p>	
13.	<p><u>Governance Papers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AUDIT & PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE – 06 AUGUST 2024 • HEALTH, CARE & GOVERNANCE GROUP – 18 JUNE 2024 • PARTNERSHIP FORUM – 15 AUGUST 2024 • RISK MANAGEMENT – 08 AUGUST 2024 	
14.	<p><u>AOCB</u></p>	
15.	<p><u>Date Of Next Meeting</u></p> <p>11 December 2024 at 2pm, Council Chambers/ MS Teams</p>	