



THIRD SECTOR DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY

REPORT OF MEETINGS

INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD

10th March 2022

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1. I reminded the IJB that I had asked for an action at the November IJB meeting; I had offered to provide wording in the template for IJB directions which encourages the author of the direction to consider the role of the third sector in the delivery of the direction. This has now been discussed with the Chief Operating Officer and will be returned to the IJB for sign-off at next meeting on 19 May.
2. There are plans underway to create a workforce summit looking at the broader issues of recruitment and retention. This will be a multi-agency group and there will be an update at the next IJB meeting.
3. The new scheme of delegation will be discussed at the workshop on 15 March; we will consider the role of the IJB and the structure of committees which support the IJB.
4. I offered to brief Julie White on the Share my Home/Share my Care websites.
5. There will be a rigorous induction programme for the new elected members after the local authority elections in May and June.
6. There will be particular interest of the new members in the community bed review; the timescales for this review will be reconsidered.
7. Regarding the 'move to three yearly commissioning cycles' for third sector commissioned services (in paragraph five of the minutes of January 2022) - I asked if this had been communicated to the existing commissioned TSOs, when it would roll out to all commissions and how TSOs would be advised of this change? The answer is that 'this is still an aspiration'. Existing commissioned contracts have had contracts extended and there are to be 'discussions' about taking the proposal further. I asked if we could receive a plan about what needs to happen and by when. SAM staff agreed to bring a procurement plan (which would include third sector commissioning) to the next IJB meeting.
8. The IJB welcomed a new member from the NHS board, Kim Dams, who is well known to the third sector as the chief executive of D&G Voice.
9. The draft IJB budget for next financial year will be settled at the next IJB meeting on 19 May.
10. The 2022-2025 Workforce Plan was presented and the IJB was asked to approve it. It will go to NHS board on 11 April, also for sign off.
11. TSDG has been heavily involved in the development of the workforce plan. While it is not possible for the third sector workforce to be assessed in the same way that the NHS and DGC can assess theirs, this challenge has been more clearly recognised than in previous workforce plans.

12. I asked if it was the intention to link the workforce plan with the work of the recruitment summit and this was confirmed. Health and Social Care third sector organisations are represented at the summit working group by TSDG.
13. The draft Strategic Commissioning Plan was also presented to the IJB in its final draft. This has been extensively consulted on; thanks were given to all for its development. It was approved for the next three years.
14. The IJB also approved the draft Performance Management Framework.
15. The revised Code of Conduct for the IJB was accepted
16. There was a brief update by the Chief Operating Officer about the extra resources for winter planning to meet acute staffing shortages. Everything is being done to deliver the plan. Service pressures continue at high level in response the volume and complexity of need. Cottage hospitals continue at 95% and even 100% The Galloway Community hospital was closed due to Covid. Emergency admissions remain high and have returned to pre Covid levels. Delayed discharge figures also continue as a concern.
17. The 3500 hours of unmet social care need mentioned at the previous meeting was referred to again. This figure is now under 3000 hours so there has been a reduction though not a significant one. The use of AIT is now under active consideration. One of the innovative initiatives is to identify individuals who need hot meals and a fifteen minute 'eyes on' report. There has been a huge amount of work on this; a PM has been recruited to work collaboratively with TSOs like the Food Train and private sector food providers on the 'test of change' project.
18. I made sure that the role of TSDG in the working group and the test of change was added to the follow up discussion.
19. I also gave an update on the Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund and the extra allocation we received making a total of £1.325m invested in communities and grass roots organisations for early intervention projects.

