Health & Social Care Committee

Thursday 22 October 2020 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, Jackson, MacLeod, McCabe, McKenzie, Moran, Quinn, Rebecchi and Robertson.

Chair: Councillor Moran presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership, Head of Health & Community Care, Head of Children's Services & Criminal Justice, IJB Chief Financial Officer and Interim Head of Strategy & Support Services, Ms K Christmas, Ms A Howard, Ms A Hunter and Ms G Kilbane, Service Managers, Inverclyde HSCP, Ms A Edmiston (for Chief Financial Officer), Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms S Lang and Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services), Property Services Manager and Mr P J Coulter (Corporate Communications).

The meeting was held by video-conference.

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Committee.

435 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

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An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor C McEleny.

Councillor MacLeod declared an interest in Agenda Item 9 (Reporting by Exception – Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations).

436 Revenue and Capital Budget Report – Position as at 31 August 2020

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership and the Chief Financial Officer on the projected outturn on the Revenue and Capital Budgets for 2020/21 as at 31 August 2020. **Decided:**

- (1) that it be agreed to note the projected current year Revenue outturn which is an overspend of £704,000 at 31 August 2020, on the assumption that net £3.833m costs associated with COVID will be fully funded by additional Scottish Government grant;
- (2) that the current projected Capital position be noted;
- (3) that the current Earmarked Reserves position be noted; and
- (4) that it be agreed to note the recommendation to the Integration Joint Board to earmark the underspend in Learning Disability Day Services of £116,000 to meet one-off costs associated with the new Learning Disability facility.

437 HSCP Strategic Plan - Implementation Progress Report Year 1, April 2019 - 437 March 2020

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on implementation progress relative to the HSCP Strategic Plan in Year 1, from April 2019 to March 2020.

Decided:

- (1) that the progress to date be noted;
- (2) that the efforts of staff and managers to continue effectively the delivery of services and strategic plan outcomes even in the midst of a global pandemic be noted;
- (3) that the uncertain nature of recovery and what the future will look like be noted; and
- (4) that the plans to, where possible, continue to deliver transformational change in line with the HSCP's Strategic Plan 2019 2020 and its Big 6 actions be noted.

438 Inverclyde Community Justice Partnership Annual Report 2019 - 2020

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership appending the Inverclyde Community Justice Partnership Annual Report 2019 – 2020.

Decided: that the Inverclyde Community Justice Partnership Annual Report 2019 – 2020 be noted and that approval be given to the submission of the Annual Report to Community Justice Scotland pending the addressing of any amendments necessary following comments from partners.

439 Progress Update on Criminal Justice Social Work Inspection – Improvement Action Plan

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (1) advising of the outcome of the Care Inspectorate inspection of Criminal Justice Social Work in 2019 for which the service had received scores of Very Good for Quality Indicators 1.1 (improving the life chances and outcomes for people subject to a community payback order), 2.1 (impact on people who have committed offences) and 9.4 (leadership of improvement and change) and Good for Quality Indicators 5.2 (assessing and responding to risk and need) and 5.3 (planning and providing effective intervention) and (2) providing an update on progress made in taking forward the two areas of improvement identified.

Decided:

- (1) that the content of the report, including the progress made in taking forward the identified improvement actions, be noted;
- (2) that a further update on the Improvement Action Plan be submitted to the Committee; and
- (3) that the Committee's congratulations be extended to all relevant staff for the evaluation achieved.

440 Alcohol and Drug Review Update

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on the progress of the Inverclyde Alcohol and Drug Review, activity in relation to tackling drug deaths in Inverclyde and the recent funding from the Scottish Government Drug Death Taskforce.

Following discussion regarding the use of the drug Naloxone, the Chief Officer indicated that, as Chair of the ADP Committee, she would raise with that Committee the suggestion that Police Scotland be requested to pilot the drug in Inverclyde.

(Councillor Jackson left the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

Decided:

(1) that it be agreed to note the activity undertaken to date in relation to the review

and redesign of wider Alcohol and Drug Services and that the impact of COVID has resulted in the redesign being paused;

- (2) that the Alcohol and Drug Review update be a standing item at each meeting of the Committee and that reports be submitted following the publication of the 2019 drug death figures and also on a progress update on actions taken to address drug deaths; and
- (3) that an All Members' Briefing on the Alcohol and Drug Review be arranged in spring 2021.

441 Migration and Resettlement Issues

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (1) providing an update on the Council's involvement in current Government refugee schemes and support to other migrants and (2) seeking approval in principle to recommence refugee resettlement in Inverclyde through participation in the Government's new arrangements for accommodating and supporting refugees which were announced by the then Home Secretary in June 2019.

Decided:

- (1) that the existing work of the Council in successfully integrating migrants in Inverclyde be noted;
- (2) that approval in principle be given to the recommencement of the resettlement of families under the Syrian Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme subject to details of the financial implications being submitted to the Committee;
- (3) that it be agreed that Inverclyde participate in the new UK Resettlement Scheme and assist European Economic Area (EEA) nationals who require assistance under the European Union Settlement Scheme; and
- (4) that approval be given to the strategic direction of the New Scots Service outlined in the report.

442 Items for Noting

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There were submitted reports for noting by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on (1) the Inverclyde Wellbeing Service (Tier 2), (2) the reconvening of the Inverclyde Joint Adult Support and Protection Inspection and (3) the Learning Disability Redesign - LD Community Hub.

Decided:

- (1) that the reports be noted; and
- (2) that in respect of the Inverclyde Wellbeing Service (Tier 2), a further report be submitted to the Committee on the operation of the service and the referral mechanisms used.

It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the respective paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act as are set opposite each item.

Item Paragraph(s)

Reporting by Exception – Governance of HSCP Commissioned 6 & 9 External Organisations

Social Care Records Management Replacement System 1 & 9 Procurement Update

443 Reporting by Exception – Governance of HSCP Commissioned External 443 Organisations

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on matters relating to the HSCP governance process for externally commissioned Social Care Services.

Councillor MacLeod declared a non-financial interest in this item as a Non-Executive Director of Parklea Branching Out. He also formed the view that the nature of his interest and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence at the meeting or his participation in the decision-making process.

Decided:

- (1) that the governance report for the period 21 July to 25 September 2020 be noted; and
- (2) that Members acknowledge that Officers regard the control mechanisms in place through the governance meetings and Managing Poorly Performing Services Guidance within the Contract Management Framework are sufficiently robust to ensure ongoing quality and safety and the fostering of a commissioning culture of continuous improvement.

444 Social Care Records Management Replacement System Procurement Update

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on the position in respect of procurement and funding relative to the replacement of the current Social Care Case Management Solution, SWIFT.

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Decided:

- (1) that the anticipated delay in the procurement and resultant impact on the system implementation be noted;
- (2) that the agreement of the Integration Joint Board to fund the additional cost to procure the enhanced option 3 outlined in the report to support enhanced service delivery be noted; and
- (3) that approval be given to move to an enhanced option for the new Social Work Information System.

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