



INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD

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Report Title	IJB Standards Officer
Report Number	HSCP19047
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Consultation Checklist Completed	Yes
Appendices	None

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1. To inform the IJB of the requirement to nominate a replacement Standards Officer to the Standards Commission, following the retirement of the previous incumbent.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. It is recommended that the IJB:
- a) Nominate the Interim Democracy Manager as a replacement Standards Officer to the Standards Commission, as detailed in the report.

3. Summary of Key Information

IJB Standards Officer

- 3.1. Each body (the IJB is one) which comes under the Model Code of Conduct for Devolved Public Bodies is required to appoint a Standards Officer.
- 3.2. The Standards Officer's duties include providing training on the Model Code and maintaining the Register of Members' Interests.



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- 3.3. The IJB on the 26th of April, 2016 nominated the Interim Democratic Manager of Aberdeen City Council to the Standards Commission. The nomination was subsequently approved.
- 3.4. The Interim Democracy Manager is retiring as of 31/8/19 and the Chief Officer of Governance, Aberdeen City Council has appointed a replacement Interim Democracy Manager.
- 3.5. The IJB are being asked to consider nominating a new Standards Officer.
- 3.6. In the interim between nomination and approval by the Standards Commission any queries in relation to the Model Code can be directed to the Chief Officer of Governance.

Implications for IJB

- 3.7. **Equalities** – while there are no direct implications arising directly as a result of this report, equalities implications will be taken into account by the Standards Officer.
- 3.8. **Fairer Scotland Duty** – while there are no direct implications arising directly as a result of this report, the Fairer Scotland duty will be taken into account, where appropriate, by the Standards Officer.
- 3.9. **Financial** – while there are no direct implications arising directly as a result of this report, financial implications will be taken into account by the Standards Officer.
- 3.10. **Workforce** - there are no direct implications arising directly as a result of this report.
- 3.11. **Legal** - this report ensures compliance with the Model Code of Conduct for Devolved Public Bodies by seeking a nominated Standards Officer.
- 3.12. **Other** - there are no direct implications arising directly as a result of this report.

4. Links to ACHSCP Strategic Plan



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- 4.1. The Strategic Plan sets out the aims, commitments and priorities of the Partnership, in alignment with Community Planning Aberdeen's Local Outcome Improvement Plan, NHS Grampian's Clinical Strategy and Aberdeen City Council's Local Housing Strategy. Aberdeen City Health & Social Care Partnership and its governance body, the Integration Joint Board, have now been operating for over three years – and during this time, real progress has been made to integrate the health and social care services delegated from our partners, Aberdeen City Council and NHS Grampian. Part of the Governance around the IJB is the role that the Standards officer undertakes, as detailed in the report.

5. Management of Risk

- 5.1. **Identified risks(s):** Reputational Damage.
- 5.2. **Link to risks on strategic or operational risk register:** The Standards Officer role will help to mitigate all of the risks on the IJB's Strategic Risk Register, however the main risk that the Officer's role will help mitigate is "There is a risk of reputational damage to the IJB and its partner organisations resulting from complexity of function, delegation and delivery of services across health and social care"
- 5.3. **How might the content of this report impact or mitigate these risks:** Ensuring that all Members of the IJB are properly trained on the Model Code of Conduct, including the registration of interests will help mitigate the risk of reputational damage.

Approvals	
	Sandra Ross (Chief Officer)
	Alex Stephen (Chief Finance Officer)



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