



CLINICAL AND CARE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

ABERDEEN, 19 April 2022. Minute of Meeting of the CLINICAL AND CARE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE. Present:- Councillor Lesley Dunbar, Chairperson; Kim Cruttenden and Luan Grugeon (as substitute for Councillor Sandra Macdonald).

In attendance: Caroline Howarth, Lynn Morrison, Alex Stephen, Fiona Mitchelhill, Graeme Simpson, Barbara Dunbar, Laura McDonald, Val Vertigans, Stella Evans, Michelle Grant, Stuart Lamberton, Amy Ritchert, Caroline Anderson, Lisa Lawrie, Susie Downie and Daniela Brawley.

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WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

1. Councillor Lesley Dunbar welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Sandra Macdonald, Chairperson and Claire Wilson.

Councillor Dunbar advised that she would be chairing the meeting today in the absence of Councillor Macdonald.

The Clerk advised that Alan Gray had left his position as a member on the Committee and a replacement for the NHS Grampian vacancy would be intimated in due course.

The Committee resolved:-

to note the information provided.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. There were no declarations of interest or transparency statements intimated.

MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING OF 22 FEBRUARY 2022, FOR APPROVAL

3. The Committee had before it the minute of its previous meeting of 22 February 2022, for approval.

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With reference to article 3 (One Stop Shop – Socio Economic Grouping Referral Rates), the Clerk advised that information received from Elizabeth Archibald had been circulated to the Committee on 7 March 2022.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to note the information provided; and
- (ii) to otherwise approve the minute.

BUSINESS PLANNER

4. The Committee had before it their Business Planner for consideration.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to note the reasons for the reporting delay in relation to item 5 (Implementation of Aberdeen City Community Mental Health Delivery Plan), item 6 (Monitoring and Evaluation of Primary Care in Scotland – Public Health Scotland Report), item 8 (Mental Health) and item 9 (Sustainability of General Practices); and
- (ii) to otherwise note the items transferred from the IJB and a new item added to the planner.

CCG GROUP MONITORING REPORT - UPDATE - HSCP.22.026

5. The Committee had before it a report by Lynn Morrison and Grace Milne which presented data and information to provide assurance that operational activities are being delivered and monitored effectively and that patients, staff and the public are being kept safe whilst receiving high quality service from Aberdeen City Health and Social Care Partnership (ACHSCP).

The report recommended:-

that the Committee note the contents of this report.

Lynn Morrison (1) provided a comprehensive summary of the report; (2) outlined the current governance arrangements and pressures across the community and hospital services; (3) highlighted the adverse events during the period October to December 2021 as well as feedback and complaints; (4) emphasised the achievements and examples of good practice which demonstrate the resilience in services to develop new ways of working; and (5) responded to questions from members.

During discussion, the following points were noted:-

- in relation to the ongoing challenges in relation to Ward 102, an admissions pathway framework had been prepared and was under continuous review;

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- that due to the continuing impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic, dental access remains an area of risk and was being monitored. Access for new dental registrations remained severely limited; and
- that early stage work was being undertaken to plan for Rosewell House moving towards a step-up facility, although no firm timeline had been agreed.

Fiona Mitchelhill provided details in relation to the work of the Healthy Hoose in Manor Avenue, which had been running for 20 years, including the services being provided. She intimated that discussions and engagement with local groups, local Councillors and patients were being held to look at options to ensure that it was fit for purpose and had future sustainability.

The Chairperson made reference to the Poster Abstract accepted for the International Conference on Integrated Care in Denmark on 23-25 May 2022, for Rosewell House integrated intermediate care facility. It was noted that the conference would be attended by Julie Warrander and Sarah Gibbon virtually.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to approve the recommendation contained within the report; and
- (ii) to thank Grace Milne for the work she undertook to prepare the reports for Committee, noting that she was moving to a different role.

CHILDHOOD IMMUNISATIONS - HSCP.22.019

6. The Committee had before it a report by Lisa Lawrie, Deputy Lead Nurse and Caroline Anderson, Programme Manager, which provided an update on the position on Childhood Immunisations and HPV uptake.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee –

- (a) note the uptake of childhood immunisations and HPV in Schools;
- (b) note the development of a draft Childhood Immunisations Plan and the Actions set out in Appendix 2.

The Committee heard from Caroline Anderson who provided an overview of the key issues from the report advising (1) that appointments for all Child Immunisations were currently made via the Scottish Immunisation Recall System (SIRS) and that it continued to be outdated and had a clunky way of appointing which limited the flexibility of postcode/locality based appointments; (2) that the impact of COVID-19 has had a significant impact on the delivery and uptake of Childhood Immunisations over the past two years; (3) that a draft Childhood Immunisation Programme Action Plan has been developed to support work around increasing the uptake of childhood immunisations and was set out in Appendix 1 of the report; and (4) that oversight of the action plan sat with

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the Aberdeen City Vaccination Transformation Programme (VTP) Group which met on a monthly basis.

The Action Plan provided the following to support the increase in uptake:-

- Childhood Immunisations - Setting up “Drop In” Clinics for Childhood Immunisations in areas of deprivation;
- HPV Uptake – Introduction of “Mop Up” Clinics every Saturday and during school holidays at the Aberdeen City Immunisation Centre to support children that were unable to attend school on the day of the immunisation clinic; and
- Increased Public Awareness – Increased social media around Childhood Immunisations and promoting drop-in and mop-up clinics.

Caroline and Lisa responded to questions from members in relation to the SIRS; the cultural barriers for people getting children vaccinated; and the promotion of the importance of the MMR vaccination through social media outlets and Mother and Toddler Groups.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to note that high level update reporting on childhood immunisations and HPV uptake would be included within the Group Monitoring Report;
- (ii) to note that an annual update report would be submitted to the Committee; and
- (iii) to otherwise approve the recommendations.

GRAMPIAN SEXUAL HEALTH UPDATE - HSCP.22.020

7. The Committee had before it a report by Daniela Brawley, Consultant and Clinical Lead for Grampian Sexual Health which outlined the current demand, activity and challenges in Grampian Sexual Health.

The report recommended:-

that the Committee –

- (a) note the demand, activity, and challenges for Grampian Sexual Health especially in light of Healthcare Improvement Scotland (HIS) standards;
- (b) note specifically the pressure and risk on drugs budget.

The report (1) advised that Grampian Sexual Health had seen a substantial increase in demand and activity during COVID-19 mobilisation due to backlog of care, presumed increased social contact on easing of lockdown and the reduction in service provision of aligned services, in addition to covering abortion care for areas out with our current funding stream (Moray and NHS Shetland +/- Orkney for leave); and (2) indicated that the current staffing model and pharmacy budget was not sufficient to absorb the demand resulting in a risk to patient care including essential and urgent care;

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The Committee heard from Daniela Brawley who provided an overview of the key issues highlighting the pressures on staff due to various factors including a substantial increase in workload, staffing issues and funding levels.

Daniela responded to questions from members in relation to long acting reversible contraception (LARC) work, including the role and capacity issues in primary care, in this regard.

In response to a question regarding LARC, the Committee heard Caroline Howarth advise that this was an optional enhanced service with provision being stopped during the pandemic. She indicated that GP practices required to sign up to this service and receive payments for undertaking the work.

Following further questions in this regard, Alex Stephen suggested that a report be prepared by Peter McLean and Susie Downie in relation to Local Enhanced Services around Sexual Health.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to note that a report on Local Enhanced Services around Sexual Health in Grampian would be submitted to the meeting in August 2022; and
- (ii) to otherwise approve the recommendations contained within the report.

SERVICE DEROGATIONS - HSCP.22.027

8. With reference to article 5 of the minute of the previous meeting of 22 February 2022, the Committee had before it a report by Lynn Morrison which provided an update and awareness of the formal NHS Grampian Board derogations related to clinical and care delivery during Operation Iris and the related clinical and care prioritisation guidance in place within social work within the Aberdeen City Health and Social Care Partnership (ACHSCP).

The report recommended:-

that the Committee note the contents of the report.

The report outlined the following five derogations with further detail provided in Appendix 1 of the report:-

- (1) increasing bed capacity within a hospital setting – through identified potential physical bed spacing – derogating from the Infection Prevention and Control guidance;
- (2) increased Flow on pathway of care in the Emergency Department (ED), Acute Medical Initial Assessment (AMIA) and Woodend/Rosewell escalation plans through agreed arrangements for temporary corridor waiting;
- (3) safe staffing levels – agreed derogations from standard ward based nursing staffing levels and standard doctors staffing levels provision;

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- (4) priorities of care for in-patient and community settings linked to safe staffing levels; and
- (5) adverse Event Reviews and Complaints Handling procedures – protocols agreed with Health Improvement Scotland and Scottish Public Services Ombudsman respectively with regard to prioritisation and timescales.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to approve the recommendation; and
- (ii) to note that Lynn Morrison would share details of the report (Operation Iris) with members of the IJB Board.

ASP INSPECTION PREPARATION - HSCP.22.018

9. With reference to article 6 of the minute of the previous meeting of 22 February 2022, the Committee had before it a report by Val Vertigans, Lead Strategic Officer, Adult Public Protection which provided a further update on progress regarding the current Joint Inspection of Adult Support and Protection (ASP) in Aberdeen.

The report recommended:-

That the Committee note progress made to date, and planned, in relation to the Joint Inspection of ASP in Aberdeen.

The Committee heard from Val Vertigans who provided an overview of the key issues from the report including the key dates and timelines for the inspection.

The Chairperson wished to express her thanks to all staff involved in the preparation of the joint inspection.

The Committee resolved:-

to approve the recommendation.

ITEMS WHERE ESCALATION TO IJB IS REQUIRED

10. The Committee considered whether any items required escalation to the IJB.

Although there were no items requiring escalation, Luan Grugeon wished to highlight the following to the ILB:-

- (1) Childhood Vaccinations and Action Plan – Annual Report to be submitted to the Committee (article 6 of this minute refers); and
- (2) Pressures experienced in the Sexual Health Service (article 7 of this minute refers).

The Committee resolved:-

to note the information provided

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- **COUNCILLOR LESLEY DUNBAR, Chairperson**