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Mr John Mundell
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Dear John

Community Planning Outcomes Profiles

Thank you for your letter of 26th August 2015 and also for discussing the issues identified in your letter on the telephone on the 3rd September. It was very helpful to understand the overall background. I will respond to each of the issues raised in turn:

1. Added Value of the Profiles.

The CPP Outcomes Profile is a tool which will show a small set of life outcome measures to help CPPs track progress over time. This will help each CPP to assess whether inequalities are reducing in their localities. It is likely that CPPs will focus on different outcomes to reflect the specific issues that they are working to improve in their own area. The Outcome Profile will not cover the breadth or depth of information that the CPP can currently access but will support you in developing/reviewing/tracking progress in relation to your plans.

2. Improving Data that is Already Available.

I agree that this is a priority and the Outcomes Evidence and Performance Board, that I chair, is very conscious that has made this a priority. Around the Board table I have the buy-in and support of Scottish Government, NSS, Police Scotland and particularly Health colleagues, and we are reviewing how we currently use and access data and information collectively across CPPs, and Scotland. Our aim is to make our collective data and analytical support available wherever it is best needed to support and improve the decisions made by CPPs.

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3. Added Value of CPP Measure.

I agree that this is not a useful measure. This was looked at in an early draft of the Profiles and is being re-considered and will definitely not appear as it was in the first version.

Another part of the work of the Board, and the way in which we hope the Outcomes Profiles will be useful, will be to create support networks for CPP Managers and Analysts. This will be to allow them to grow in their confidence in using the data available and knowing who to talk to about good practice which is relevant to their own CPP area.

Finally, the work on the CPP Outcomes Profile is at pilot test stage and six CPPs across Scotland are exploring how they will use it in their own unique area. This work will take place between now and the end of the year and I expect to be able to come back to CPPs in the new year with a tool, along with support, that you will all find useful.

I hope this letter re-assures your Single Outcome Agreement Programme Board about the value of this work and I would be very happy to follow up on any other points that you would like to discuss.

Yours sincerely

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Chief Executive, and
Chair OEP Board

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