HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE COMMITTEE - 6 JUNE 2017

Health & Social Care Committee

Tuesday 6 June 2017 at 3.05pm

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

Chair: Councillor Moran presided.

In attendance: Head of Health & Community Care, Head of Children's Services & Criminal Justice, Service Manager, Health Improvement, Inequalities & Personalisation, Ms L Porter, Health & Social Care Partnership, Ms F McLaren (for Chief Financial Officer), Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms S Lang, Legal & Property Services and Corporate Procurement Manager.

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

268 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

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No apologies for absence were intimated.

Councillors Brooks, McCabe, C McEleny and MacLeod declared an interest in agenda item 10 (Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations).

269 Presentation – Learning Disability

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The Committee heard a presentation by Beth Culshaw, Head of Health & Community Care and Laura Porter, Learning Disability Integrated Operations Co-ordinator, on the position relative to Learning Disability Service provision within Inverclyde. Following the presentation, both Officers answered a number of questions from Members.

Decided: that the Committee note the position in respect of Learning Disability Services within Inverciyde, as set out in the presentation.

270 Ms Beth Culshaw

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The Convener referred to the fact that this would be the last meeting of the Committee which Ms Culshaw would be attending before leaving to take up the post of Chief Officer at West Dunbartonshire Council.

On behalf of the Committee, he extended his best wishes to Ms Culshaw in her future role.

271 Presentation – Strategic Children's Services Plan

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The Committee heard a presentation by Sharon McAlees, Head of Children's Services & Criminal Justice on the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment relative to the Integrated Children's Services Plan. Following the presentation, Ms McAlees answered a number of questions from Members.

Decided: that the Committee note the position in respect of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, as set out in the presentation.

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272 Revenue and Capital Budget Report 2016/17 - Probable Outturn as at 31 March 2017

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on the probable outturn of the Revenue and Capital Budgets for 2016/17 as at 31 March 2017.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the current year Revenue Budget and projected underspend of £277,000 for 2016/17 as at 31 March 2017;
- (2) that it be noted that any underspend at the year-end will be retained by the Inverclyde Integration Joint Board;
- (3) that the Committee note the current projected Capital position;
- (4) that the Committee note the current Earmarked Reserves position;
- (5) that a report on the position relative to the Crosshill Children's Home project, including final costings, be submitted to an appropriate Council or Committee meeting at the earliest opportunity; and
- (6) that a report be submitted to the Committee on the role of the Veterans' Officer.

273 Personal Independence Payment (PIP) Update

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on issues relating to the roll out of the Personal Independence Payment (PIP).

During the course of discussion on this item, Councillor McCabe suggested that it would be useful for the Welfare Reforms Update Report submitted to each cycle of the Policy & Resources Committee to be submitted to the Health & Social Care Committee for noting.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the contents of the report and the ongoing impacts of the transition to Personal Independence Payments;
- (2) that the Committee note the work of Inverclyde HSCP Advice Services Welfare Rights Representation staff in widening possible access to PIP for potentially many more thousands of claimants across the UK and extend its appreciation to the staff involved:
- (3) that the Committee note the themes emerging from the Inverclyde Financial Inclusion Partnership survey and Tribunal cases represented by Inverclyde HSCP Advice Services Welfare Rights Representation staff;
- (4) that it be agreed that following the UK Parliamentary Election on 8 June, the Council Leader make further representations to the appropriate Government Minister regarding the effect which the roll out of PIP is having on the Inverclyde population and highlighting the good work which is being carried out locally to mitigate the effects of the transition to PIP; and
- (5) that a report be submitted to the Committee on the viability of carrying out PIP assessments within Inverclyde, including the likely costs associated with providing such a service.

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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)

Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations 6 and 8

ESF/Big Lottery Funding - Direct Contract Award for a Case 6 **Management System**

274 **Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations**

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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.

Councillors Brooks, McCabe and C McEleny declared a non-financial interest in this item as Members of the Board of River Clyde Homes and Councillor MacLeod declared a non-financial interest as a non-executive Director of Parklea Association. All of the Members formed the view that the nature of their interest and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the Chamber or their participation in the decision making process.

Decided:

- that the Committee note the governance report set out in Appendix 1 covering the (1) period 21 January to 5 May 2017; and
- that Members acknowledge that officers regard the control mechanisms in place through the governance meetings as sufficiently robust to ensure ongoing quality and safety and the fostering of a commissioning culture of continuous improvement.

275 ESF/Big Lottery Funding – Direct Contract Award for a Case Management System

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership seeking approval to make a direct contract award for a Case Management System which was agreed, subject to a condition, all as detailed in the appendix.