Health & Social Care Committee

Thursday 19 October 2017 at 3pm

Present: Provost Brennan (for Councillor Jackson), Councillors Brooks, Dorrian, MacLeod, Clocherty (for McCabe), J McEleny (for C McEleny), McKenzie, Moran, Ahlfeld (for Quinn), Rebecchi and Robertson.

Chair: Councillor Moran presided.

In attendance: Head of Health & Community Care, Head of Children's Services & Criminal Justice, Head of Mental Health, Addictions & Homelessness, Service Manager, Inequalities, Migration and Strategic Housing, Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Technical Services Manager, Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services) and Ms A Edmiston (for Chief Financial Officer).

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

552 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Jackson, with Provost Brennan substituting, Councillor McCabe, with Councillor Clocherty substituting, Councillor C McEleny, with Councillor J McEleny substituting and Councillor Quinn, with Councillor Ahlfeld substituting.

Declarations of interest were intimated as follows:

Agenda Item 2 (Presentation – Care Placements for Older People) – Councillor Clocherty.

Agenda Item 10 (Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations) – Provost Brennan and Councillor MacLeod.

Revenue and Capital Budget 2017/18 Projection as at 31 August 2017

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on the position of the Revenue and Capital Budgets for the current year as at Period 5 to 31 August 2017.

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the projected underspend of £15,000 in the current year Revenue Budget as at 31 August 2017;
- (2) that approval be given to the virements listed in Appendix 6;
- (3) that the current projected Capital position be noted; and
- (4) that the current Earmarked Reserves position be noted.

554 Presentation – Care Placements for Older People

The Board heard a presentation by the Head of Health & Community Care on care placements for older people which covered the changes in demand for older people's services, the number of care home placements from 2014/15 to present, the impact on

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care homes and community based services.

Following the presentation, Mr Stevenson answered a number of questions from Members.

Councillor Clocherty declared a non-financial interest in this item as the spouse of an employee working in the care home sector. He also formed the view that the nature of his interest and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence in the Chamber or his participation in the decision making process.

Decided: that the presentation be noted.

555 Freedom of Information Monitoring Report – 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing information on Freedom of Information requests processed by the HSCP during the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017.

Decided: that the report be noted.

556 Personal Independence Payment (PIP) Assessments

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on information received from the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP) in relation to Inverclyde Council's request for local Personal Independent Payment (PIP) assessments. The report advised that the DWP had responded that it would not be possible to use the premises at Duff Street, Greenock for PIP assessments and that Inverclyde Council and the HSCP would not be permitted to undertake assessments.

Decided: that the report be noted.

557 Refugee Resettlement

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (1) on the HSCP's current involvement in the Afghan and Syrian refugee schemes and the positive resettlement programme within Inverclyde and (2) providing an update on the national discussions regarding involvement with other schemes including the Vulnerable Children's Scheme and the Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children's Scheme (UASC Scheme).

Decided:

- (1) that the Committee acknowledge the HSCP's commitment to the existing refugee schemes and the success of the resettlement to date;
- (2) that the Committee note that discussions are underway to continue future involvement and potential expansion in the resettlement programme; and
- (3) that agreement be given for officers to continue to be involved in national discussions with regard to future schemes and that further reports be submitted as and when appropriate.

Redesign of Services for Adults with a Learning Disability (The LD Redesign)

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership outlining the component parts of the programme to implement the HSCP Redesign of Services for Adults with a Learning Disability (the LD Redesign).

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Decided:

- (1) that the Committee note the intention to move to the next stage with the HSCP Redesign of Services for Adults with a Learning Disability (the LD Redesign);
- (2) that the Committee note the intention of the required redesign programme, governance structure and programme team to deliver the LD Redesign and that the Programme Board met for the first time on 20 September 2017;
- (3) that the Committee note the creation of an interim management structure to take the service through the implementation of the redesign and the required practice and cultural change;
- (4) that the Committee endorse the intention to undertake the necessary work to move to a proposed new service model and wider staffing structure with a 2 year implementation time frame;
- (5) that the Committee note the relationship of the programme to savings proposals; and
- (6) that the Committee note the design and delivery of a comprehensive communication, engagement and consultation process with local people, service users and carers, staff and their representatives, provider organisations and other stakeholders to direct the implementation of the redesign.

559 Tendering of Supported Living Service

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (1) seeking approval to change the tender weightings in relation to the forthcoming tender process for a Supported Living Service in Inverclyde and (2) requesting delegated authority for the acceptance of the successful tenders.

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

Decided:

- (1) that Contract Standing Order 13.2 be suspended to allow the use of 60% Quality and 40% Cost of Service weightings in the forthcoming tender for the Inverclyde Supported Living Service; and
- (2) that delegated authority be granted to the Head of Legal & Property Services to accept the successful tenders in accordance with Contract Standing Order 17.3(ii).

560 Homelessness and Temporary Accommodation

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership on the work underway to review the current temporary accommodation model and to consider alternative models for the service in the longer term which will form the basis of a new temporary accommodation strategy to meet the increased support needs of homeless households and to mitigate the financial impacts of welfare reforms.

(Councillor Ahlfeld returned to the meeting and Councillor Dorrian left the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

Decided:

(1) that the Committee note the work which Arneil Johnston is currently undertaking in respect of a temporary accommodation review, using 6 clear, identifiable actions, which will support the development of a delivery plan and financial model for an improved service which more accurately responds to the needs of service users; and

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(2) that a briefing be made to the Committee Members on the outcome of the temporary accommodation review, including the options for future provision within Inverciple.

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 item on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 6 and 8 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

Governance of HSCP Commissioned External 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.

Provost Brennan declared a non-financial interest in this item as a member of the Board of Sir Gabriel Wood's Mariners' Home Management Committee and Councillor MacLeod declared a non-financial interest as a Non-Executive Director of Parklea Association. Both 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:

- (1) that the Committee note the governance report set out in Appendix 1 covering the period 24 July to 14 September 2017; and
- (2) that Members acknowledge that officers regard the control mechanisms in place through their governance meetings as sufficiently robust to ensure ongoing quality and safety and the fostering of a commissioning culture of continuous improvement.

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