

## SOCIAL WORK & SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY PANEL – 20 OCTOBER 2022

### Social Work & Social Care Scrutiny Panel

Thursday 20 October 2022 at 3.00pm

**Present:** Provost McKenzie, Councillors Armstrong, Cassidy, Clocherty (for Brennan), Daisley, Jackson, Law (for Reynolds), McCluskey, Quinn and Robertson.

**Chair:** Councillor Jackson presided.

**In attendance:** Mr A Stevenson (for Chief Officer, Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership), Interim Head of Children & Families and Criminal Justice Services, Service Manager Assessment & Care Management, Ms G Kilbane (for Head of Homelessness, Mental Health and Drug & Alcohol Recovery Service), Ms M Kiers (for Head of Finance, Planning & Resources (HSCP)), Ms V Pollock (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Ms D Sweeney, Mr C MacDonald and Ms S MacMaster (Legal & Democratic Services).

The meeting was held at the Municipal Buildings, Greenock with Councillors Daisley and Law attending by video-conference.

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

#### 470 **Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest** 470

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Brennan, with Councillor Clocherty substituting, Councillor Reynolds, with Councillor Law substituting, and Councillor Brooks.

No declarations of interest were intimated, but certain connections were intimated for the purposes of transparency as follows:

Agenda item 6 (Reporting by Exception – Governance of HSCP Commissioned External Organisations) – Councillors Cassidy, McCluskey and Robertson.

The Chair paused proceedings for 5 minutes as Councillor Law was experiencing connectivity issues. Councillor Law subsequently joined the meeting during consideration of the following item.

#### 471 **Revenue & Capital Budget Report – Revenue Outturn Position as at 31 August 2022** 471

There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership and the Head of Finance, Planning & Resources, Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership, on the projected outturn on revenue and capital for 2022/23 as at 31 August 2022.

Councillor Law joined the meeting during consideration of this item.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the projected current year revenue outturn of a £1,228,000 underspend at 31 August 2022, as detailed at paragraphs 4.1 to 4.11 of the report, be noted;
- (2) that the projected capital position, as detailed at paragraphs 5.1 to 5.4 of the report, be noted; and

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(3) that the current earmarked reserves position, as detailed in paragraphs 6.1 to 6.2 of the report, be noted.

### 472 National Care Service

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Mr Stevenson provided a verbal report on the current position regarding the implementation of the National Care Service (NCS).

The following points were noted:

- (1) Stage 1 consultation is now expected to run through to 17 March 2023;
- (2) Over 60 distinct work streams have been identified which feed into the Central NCS Team, with nearly all the Directorates within the Scottish Government having their own NCS team;
- (2) Officers from Inverclyde Health & Social Care will continue to be involved with the creation of the National Care Service and will share progress and consult with the Panel when appropriate.

**Decided:** that the verbal report be noted.

### 473 Inverclyde Alcohol and Drug Partnership Update

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing a summary of updates from the Inverclyde Alcohol and Drug Partnership on developments at a national and local level.

Prior to discussion of this item Ms Kilbane provided a verbal update on paragraph 3.7 of the report, noting that Medication Assisted Treatment Standards 1, 2, 4 and 5 have now been completed.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the updates on the following be noted (a) Changing Lives Report, (b) Medication Assisted Treatment Standards, (c) Drug Related Deaths, (d) Alcohol Specific Deaths, (e) Health Improvement Scotland Proposal, (f) Alcohol and Drug Partnership Funding, (g) Alcohol and Drug Partnership Annual Report 2021/2022, and (h) Revised Alcohol and Drug Partnership Committee Terms of Reference;
- (2) that it be noted that this report has been presented to and approved by the Inverclyde Integration Joint Board; and
- (3) that it be noted that this report will be presented to the Inverclyde Alliance Board for approval.

### 474 Inverclyde Adult Support and Protection Partnership Biennial Report 2020-22

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership appending the Adult Protection Committee Biennial Report 2020-2022 for noting and advising of the activities and progress of the Committee in fulfilling its statutory functions.

**Decided:** that the contents of the report be noted.

**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 9 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.**

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There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on matters relating to the Health & Social Care Partnership governance processes for Externally Commissioned Social Care Services. Councillor Cassidy declared a connection in this item as a family member is on the Board of the Carer's Centre, Councillor McCluskey declared a connection as a family member is in a care home and Councillor Robertson declared a connection as a Board Member of Financial Fitness. They also formed the view that the nature of their connections and of the item of business did not preclude their continued presence in the meeting or their participation in the decision-making process and were declaring for transparency.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the governance report for the period 16 July to 16 September 2022 be noted;
- (2) that Members acknowledge that officers regard the control mechanisms in place through the governance meetings and managing poorly performing services guidance within the Contract Management Framework is sufficiently robust to ensure ongoing quality and safety and the fostering of a commissioning culture of continuous improvement; and
- (3) that it be remitted to officers to provide a report to a future meeting on the incident response mechanisms within Care Home.