

REPORT TO: East Lothian Council

MEETING DATE: 26 February 2013

BY: Executive Director (Services for People)

SUBJECT: Integration of Health and Social Care Update

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To update the Council on progress towards the establishment of a Health and Social Care Partnership in East Lothian.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Members are asked to;
- i) Note the contents of this report
 - ii) Request that a report with proposals to establish shadow partnership arrangements is brought forward for approval by April 2013.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 At its meeting on 11 September 2012, Cabinet approved the Council's response to the Scottish Government consultation on proposals to integrate adult health and social care. Alongside this, Cabinet requested that the Chief Executive should begin detailed planning towards the establishment of a single Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) in East Lothian taking account of guidelines and legislation as available.
- 3.2 Detailed planning towards the establishment of a HSCP in East Lothian has been ongoing from September 2012. Progress has been made across a number of areas;

Key Workstreams

- i) We have established five workstreams, led by senior Council and NHS officers to ensure that we are adequately focused on the key

issues arising from the proposals to establish a HSCP. The focus of the workstreams is on Finance and IT, Governance, Outcomes, Strategic Commissioning and HR and Workforce Development.

- ii) Workstream leads are being tasked to identify actions required to deliver a HSCP and to report these into the proposed shadow partnership arrangements at agreed intervals throughout 2013/14.
- iii) A key aspect of this work will be to ensure we build the views of staff, service users and carers into our plans, with workstream leads establishing appropriate mechanisms to enable the views of these groups to be heard.

Shadow Partnership Arrangements

- iv) Our response to the consultation exercise focused on the importance of integrating our proposals for a HSCP within the revised Community Planning arrangements. We suggested therefore that the Partnership Committee should be embedded within the Community Planning system locally.
- v) Subject to the publication of a Bill and following legislation, we anticipate that HSCPs will be established from 2014. Prior to the establishment of the formal HSCP, we will establish a shadow partnership group. We expect this to be in place by April 2013 and to run until the formal HSCP Committee is established.
- vi) Work is currently underway across the partnership to draft terms of reference for this group including its remit, function and membership. Detailed proposals for this will be brought forward to Elected Members and the Community Health Partnership Sub-Committee for approval in early course.
- vii) The shadow partnership will focus on rethinking and redesigning the model of health and social care for East Lothian. The HSCP will be embedded within East Lothian's Community Planning system when it is formally established after legislation is passed.
- viii) It has been agreed that the Chair of the Shadow Partnership Group and the Health and Social Care Partnership will be led by a Health member of the Board for the first two years.
- ix) The appointment to the Chair will be made by the Health Board prior to the establishment of the Shadow Group.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The establishment of Health and Social Care Partnerships is designed to improve outcomes for service users by shifting the balance of care and encouraging greater use of preventative services. The local partnership

will therefore support delivery of East Lothian's Older People's Strategy, the Council Plan and Single Outcome Agreement.

5 EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 5.1 This report is not applicable to the well being of equalities groups and an Equalities Impact Assessment is not required.

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Financial - None
6.2 Personnel - None
6.3 Other - None

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 Report to Cabinet, 12 September 2012, "Response to the Scottish Government Consultation on Integration of Health and Social Care"

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