



REPORT TO: East Lothian Integration Joint Board

MEETING DATE: 27 June 2024

BY: Chief Officer

SUBJECT: Planning Older People's Services: Timeline Update

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To provide members with an update related to the *Planning Older People's Services* project timeline.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Integration Joint Board is asked to note the content of the report.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Community Hospitals and Care Homes Provision Change Board final report¹ was agreed by the IJB on 23 February 2023. As part of that report, the ELHSCP Chief Officer was asked to bring back options for the development of older people's services with a continued focus on community capacity.
- 3.2 In order to explore and develop these options, the Chief Officer established a project team in March 2023. Subsequently a paper outlining the proposed engagement and consultation process was agreed by the IJB on 23 March 2023.²

4 ENGAGEMENT

- 4.1 The first Planning Older People's Services engagement phase was undertaken between August and December 2023 with the findings report published in January 2024.³

¹ <https://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/pfap>

² https://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/meetings/meeting/16964/east_lothian_integration_joint_board

³ https://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/downloads/file/33891/provisioning_strategy_project_-_communications_and_engagement_report_aug-dec_2023

- 4.2 The project is currently concluding its options modelling and development phase with an options appraisal exercise planned for 30 July 2024.
- 4.3 Following a discussion at the Project Team meeting on 16 April 2024 and an additional meeting of Senior Project representatives on 23 April 2024, the decision was taken to review the project timeline and milestones. The primary reasons for this timeline review were related to delays resulting from the balanced budget activity, upcoming general election activity and concerns surrounding consultation activity falling during the summer holidays.
- 4.4 This review was completed and reported back to the Project Team meeting on 13 May 2024. The two key changes of note are:
- The 12-week consultation period will now take place from September to November 2024 (previously June – August 2024).
 - The final report to the SPG and IJB will now be presented in January/February 2025 (previously October – November 2024).
- 4.5 An updated timeline graphic is included below to provide members with an overview.

Timeline



Updated May 2024. Timeline may be subject to further change.

5 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 This work will respond to local and national strategic plans including the East Lothian IJB Strategic Plan 2022–2025, whose commitment is to support people closer to home, in their own home or in a homely setting. Other relevant strategy and policy is described within this report at section 7 – Directions. This work is related to strategic Delivery Priority (1.1) of the IJB strategic plan.
- 5.2 The work will respond to several Strategic Outcomes (S01, S02, S03).

6 INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 6.1 The subject of this report is going through the Integrated Impact Assessment process with an initial IIA completed on 22 August 2023.⁴ The full IIA will be undertaken and completed prior to our final report and recommendations being presented to the IJB in early 2025.
- 6.2 Copies of the IIA's associated with the Community Hospitals and Care Homes Provision Change Board work are available online.⁵

7 DIRECTIONS

- 7.1 12I – Transforming Care for Older People.

8 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 Financial – at this stage of work only indicative financial estimates have been developed and have a wide variability. They should not, at this stage, be seen as final or draft, they have been provided as indicative. These are Capital (nil to £50m) and Revenue (nil to £2.5m) and this excludes any disposal of assets (if relevant).
- 8.2 Personnel – it is too early to state the impact on staffing other than highlighting the staff shortages and pressures that there are currently within the system. However, as part of option development there will be full engagement with the HSCP Joint Partnership Forum.
- 8.3 Other – N/A.

9 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 9.1 Project website – <https://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/elhscp/pops>

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