6. IJB DIRECTIONS

A report had been circulated by the Director informing the group of progress in developing directions required for the delivery of functions delegated to the IJB under the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014.

Under the public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 the IJB was responsible for the strategic planning of the functions delegated to it and for ensuring the delivery of those functions through directions issued by it under section 25 of the Act.

IJB's were required to issue directions to local authorities and health boards in relation to how integration functions were carried out. Each direction from the Board to the parties would take the form of a letter from the Director referring to the arrangements for delivery as set out in the Strategic Plan and would include information on:

- The delegated function(s) that were to be carried out;
- The outcomes to be delivered for those delegated functions;
- The amount of and method of determining payment to be made, in respect of the carrying out of the delegated functions.

Under the Act the IJB was required to make directions to the Council and NHS Lothian for the carrying out of delegated functions, including those managed within St John's Hospital (funded by set-aside funds) and those managed on a pan Lothian basis (hosted services).

Attached to the report at Appendix 1 was a draft template for Directions, outlining what was legally required and other optional areas.

Attached to the report at Appendix 2 was a list of services which would be delegated in West Lothian.

Attached to the report at Appendix 3 was an example of what a Direction could look like.

It was recommended that the Strategic Planning Group note progress in developing directions in line with the requirements of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014.

Decision

To note the terms of the report and agreed that the item of business be submitted to the Integrated Joint Board for approval.