



Date	10 January 2023
Agenda Item	07

**Report to: West Lothian Integration Joint Board**

**Report Title: Chief Officer's Report**

**Report By: Chief Officer**

Summary of Report and Implications	
<b>Purpose</b>	This report: (tick any that apply).
	- seeks a decision <input type="checkbox"/>
	- is to provide assurance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	- is for information <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	- is for discussion <input type="checkbox"/>
	The report provides a summary of key developments relating to West Lothian IJB and updates Board members on emerging issues including those related to Covid-19.
<b>Recommendations</b>	1. Note and comment on the key areas of work and service developments that have been taking place within West Lothian in relation to the work of the Integration Joint Board.
<b>Directions to NHS Lothian and/or West Lothian Council</b>	Not required.
<b>Resource/ Finance/ Staffing</b>	No specific matters relevant to the paper.
<b>Policy/Legal</b>	None.
<b>Risk</b>	Risks relevant to the IJB are set out in the risk register.
<b>Equality, Health Inequalities, Environmental and Sustainability Issues</b>	None.
<b>Strategic Planning and Commissioning</b>	The report is relevant to the IJB's Strategic Plan 2019-2023.

<b>Locality Planning</b>	No specific locality requirements.
<b>Engagement</b>	None – paper is for information.
<b>Terms of Report</b>	
<p><b>1. Vaccination Update</b></p> <p>1.1 Scottish Government has extended the Autumn/Winter Vaccination programme to the 15<sup>th</sup> January (Date to be confirmed). The uptake has dramatically reduced during the 50-64 cohort. The extension to the programme will allow additional time to encourage eligible cohorts to attend for vaccination.</p> <p>1.2 Four main West Lothian sites now provide drop in provision but the uptake for this has been very low. NHS Lothian and local communications have been promoting drop ins clinics.</p> <p>1.3 “Pop-Up Drop-In clinics” have been held in outlying towns/villages, with the support of GP Practices texting over 50s providing dates/time of clinics. There has been a good uptake across all areas, with evaluation highlighting a high number of citizens did not attend original appointment due to location.</p> <p>1.4 Inclusivity work continues to reach out to cohorts of citizens who are struggling to attend for various reasons. HSCP have contacted relevant services/service managers offering variety of help and support.</p> <p><b>2. St Michael’s Update</b></p> <p>2.1 St Michael's Hospital remains closed. The Chief Officer has been in discussion with Friends of St Michael's regarding engagement on the future of the hospital. It is expected that a public engagement event will take place with the local community in February 2023 with a full report being submitted to the IJB following that</p> <p><b>3. UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)</b></p> <p>3.1 A Children’s Rights and Participation working group has now been established with representation from social policy, third sector, education services, community learning, health services and a children’s rights contact officer who also facilitates Having Your Say and regulated care services.</p> <p>3.2 Due to the pandemic the requirement for the report was delayed until 30/09/2022 however the wording is that it should be published as soon as practicable after this date. We therefore provided Scottish Government our governance process for signing it off and the date that we could first take it to Community Planning Partnership (CPP). Scottish Government were happy with the proposal for the report to be published after presentation to CPP.</p> <p>3.3 The annual report which there is a duty to publish for 2017-2020 has been completed. The report was initially presented at the Children and Families Strategic Planning Group, and then presented and signed off at Community Planning Partnership on the 21 November. The report was then sent to Scottish Government for publication on 29 November.</p> <p>3.4 The group will now be focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Compiling the next annual report that we have a duty to publish covering the period 2020-2023.</li> <li>• Follow the progress of the Bill being implemented and develop a coordinated approach for implementation</li> </ul>	

- Consider linkages with other areas of work and raise awareness of all national and local policy development.
- Communicating and engaging with key partners including children and young people

#### 4. Progress Update Review (PUR)

- 4.1 West Lothian Integration Joint Board (IJB) submitted an annual Progress Update Review (PUR) to National Records of Scotland under the Public Records (Scotland) Act 2011, which was submitted to the Board in August 2022.
- 4.2 National Records Scotland got in touch in November 2022 to confirm The Assessment Team has now evaluated the submission and consider that West Lothian Integration Joint Board continue to take their statutory obligations seriously and are working hard to maintain all elements of their Records Management Plan in full compliance with the Act.
- 4.3 The report is now published on National Records Scotland website.

#### 5. Annual Review of Support Services

- 5.1 The Ministerial Strategic Group for Health and Community Care requested that every Health Board, Local Authority and Integration Joint Board jointly submit a self-evaluation of progress with integration to the Scottish Government and an associated plan for improvement. The partners submitted their joint action plan on 23 August 2019.
- 5.2 Under recommendation 3.1, statutory partners must ensure that Chief Officers are effectively supported and empowered to act on behalf of the IJB, it was agreed that a formal review of support services will be conducted annually and that support services currently provided to the IJB should be formalised to assure Board Members that appropriate support is in place, particularly in relation to fulfilling the Board's statutory obligations.
- 5.3. During the pandemic, the review was postponed to allow a more meaningful review to be conducted of support available to the IJB when staffing stabilised. The IJB continued to meet its statutory obligations and to move forward with its programmes of transformational change with the support of the council and NHS Lothian.
- 5.4 The support services available to the IJB are currently under review. If there are any concerns found, this will be reported back to a future meeting of the IJB. This will be an annual review and will be reflected in the work plan.

References	None
Appendices	None
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