

Argyll & Bute HSCP Finance & Policy Committee

Thursday, 12th December 2019 at 2.30pm
in Committee Room 1 Kilmory, Lochgilphead

Present

Councillor Kieron Green (Chair)
Sarah Compton Bishop (VC)
Prof Boyd Robertson
Joanna MacDonald
Caroline Cherry
George Morrison (VC)
Judy Orr
Liz Higgins (VC)
Kevin McIntosh

IJB Chair
Vice Chair, IJB
IJB Member
Chief Officer
Head of Adult Services
Deputy Chief Officer
Head of Finance and Transformation
Professional Advisory Group Rep
Staff Side Representative

In attendance

Alex Taylor
Charlotte Craig (VC)
Linda Currie
David Forshaw
Dr Angus MacTaggart
Irene Luke

Head of Children & Families
Business Improvement Manager
AHP Lead
Principal Accountant Social Work
Professional Leads Representative
PA (minutes)

Apologies

Councillor Sandy Taylor
Councillor Gary Mulvaney
Stephen Whiston
Morven Moir
Fiona Broderick

IJB Member
IJB Member
Head of Planning & Performance
Acting Head of Finance
Staff Side Representative

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1.	Welcome and Apologies The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting with introductions made around the room and VC sites. Apologies were noted as above.	
2.	Draft Minutes of 21 November 2019 The minute of meeting held on 21 November 2019 was reviewed and, subject to the below amendments/additions, was agreed as an accurate record. Item 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Service Improvement Officer 0.5wte has been appointed and will provide focus on Older People savings for Social Work. A further 1 WTE SIO post is being interviewed for in early December and will focus on Learning Disability savings. 	

	<p>Item 8(b)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Finance & Policy Committee agreed to Judy's suggestion that Financial Risk Reports which are presented to IJB every 2 months should be included in Finance & Policy Committee papers. 	
3.	<p>Action Log</p> <p>Updated Action Log was circulated and progress noted.</p>	
4.	<p>Budget Monitoring</p> <p>The updated Budget Monitoring as at 30 November 2019 report and appendices were circulated on 11 November and provided a summary of the financial position for as at 30 November 2019.</p> <p>The forecast outturn position for 2019-20 is a forecast overspend of £1.676m (split £1.376m Social Work and £0.300m Health) which has improved by £106k from that forecasted at end of October.</p> <p>Work continues to allow formal declaration of savings with added PMO resource now in place to support this work.</p> <p>The committee noted the forecast outturn position as at 30 November 2019 and that there is a year to date overspend of £0.674m as at the same date with overspend on Social Work of £0.883m offset by underspend on Health of £0.209m.</p> <p>It was noted that the variance explanation information for Health at the end of November had not been updated from the explanations provided at end of October. The information on the delivery of savings is currently being worked on and will be presented to the next meeting.</p>	
5.	<p>Budget Setting 2020-21</p> <p>Budget setting 2020/21 report prepared was circulated to the Committee which informed the budget gap for 2020/21 on a mid-range scenario is estimated at £8.837m.</p> <p>The report outlined proposals aimed at meeting c £4.8m of the budget gap and identified other areas to help bridge the remaining gap.</p> <p>The Committee considered the report and noted the Staff side request that reporting to Finance & Policy Committee in January should acknowledge that savings may change / become non deliverable.</p> <p>JO confirmed this would be reflected in updated report to the next meeting of the Finance & Policy Committee and to the IJB Development Session.</p> <p>The committee noted the report and approved officers continuing to plan on the basis of the mid-range scenario given the uncertainties around funding announcements for next financial year.</p>	JO

6.	<p>NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Update</p> <p>Head of Finance confirmed a further letter had been sent to NHSGG & C reiterating our offer. No response received to date.</p> <p>In response to meeting requests NHSGG & C have advised officers are not currently in a position to provide dates to meet in January or February of next year.</p> <p>GM will continue to urgently push for a resolution and hopes to be able to provide further clarity to the next meeting of the Finance & Policy Committee in January.</p> <p>The Committee noted the verbal update and agreed if no response is available at the next meeting will consider escalation.</p>	GM
7.	<p>Transformation Report</p> <p>Transformation Programme Board Report, along with work stream highlight reports, was circulated to the Committee. The report provided an update on progress of the identified Transformation work streams contributing to the delivery of the Strategic Plan. Highlight reports detailed the progress, challenges and issues and next steps regarding transformational work and financial savings.</p> <p>The Committee discussed the report and attached highlight reports. Executive leads present provided further comment around review of transformational work and efforts to ensure improved services and better value.</p> <p>The Committee noted the report and agreed an updated report which provided further clarity around savings should be presented to the next meeting of the Finance & Policy Committee.</p>	
8.	<p>Adult Residential Care Charging Policy</p> <p>Adult Residential Care Charging Policy cover report and appendix Social Work Adult Residential Care Charging Policy 2020-21 were circulated to the Committee.</p> <p>The Committee noted the updated Policy and supported progression to Local Authority approval processes.</p>	
9.	<p>AOB:</p>	
(a)	<p>Clinical Professional Representation</p> <p>Dr Angus MacTaggart requested clarification around attendance of clinical professionals.</p> <p>It was noted representation includes HSCP Lead Nurse and Associate Medical Director. Dr MacTaggart welcome in attendance.</p>	
	<p>Date of next Meeting</p> <p>Friday, 24th January 2020 at 9.30am in Committee Room 1, Kilmory, Lochgilphead</p>	