



PERTH & KINROSS INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD

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PROGRESS MADE BY THE CARERS PROGRAMME BOARD

Report by Head of Adult Social Work & Social Care (Report No. G/18/199)

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report updates the Integrated Joint Board on the work and challenges of the Carers' Programme Board, which is one of the four care programmes recently established by the Health and Social Care Partnership.

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Integrated Joint Board (IJB):

- 1.1 Note the contents of the report and the development of the Carers' Programme. This programme seeks to support unpaid carers in their caring role, help families to stay together and deliver the resultant cost savings, in the context of recently enforced legislation, the Carers (Scotland) Act 2016 (Carers Act).
- 1.2 Request further progress reports from Carers Programme Board for each IJB meeting.
- 1.3 The Carer Programme Board to provide a section on the Carers Programme for the overarching Perth & Kinross Health and Social Care Strategic Commissioning Plan by May 2019.

2. SITUATION / BACKGROUND / MAIN ISSUES

- 2.1 As part of the refresh of the Strategic Commissioning Plan, Perth and Kinross Health and Social Care Partnership redesigned their Strategic Planning Framework into four Programmes of Care.

This will enable a more effective and focused approach for the planning of service areas and will be an essential enabler in determining key priorities of the refreshed IJB Strategic Commissioning Plan.

2.2 The Carers' Programme Board was established on 13 September 2018 with three workstreams to ensure that:

- The requirements of the Carers Act are implemented to improve the lives of carers;
- The work relating to the Carers Support Project is continued to ensure the savings programme is delivered; and
- A new Carers' Strategy would be available for approval to be sought from the IJB before April 2019.

2.3 Under the Carers Act, it is required that the Partnership prepares a new Carers' Strategy which will, for the first time, include both young and adult carers. It is our legal obligation to consult with stakeholders to establish their experience of the support they have received and their vision of the supports they need to sustain them in their caring role for the future.

In order to inform the new Carers' Strategy a working group was established to devise and implement a survey to identify the views of carers. We were aware of the time constraints under which this work was undertaken in order to ensure that responses would influence the new Strategy. The consultation took place between 1 and 21 October 2018 and analysis of the responses will be fed back to the Carers Conference on 22 November at Dewars Centre.

2.4 Activity has also surrounded the preparation and submission of the Carers Census 2017/18 to the Scottish Government to provide baseline statistical data. This workstream involved data validation to ensure the quality of information presented. This has now been approved and submitted. Data required for the first six months reporting of the 2018/19 Census is to be submitted by 14 December 2018; preparations for this are already underway.

2.5 The Terms of Reference for the Board was approved by the Board on 31 October 2018. It clearly articulates the role, authority and reporting arrangements .(Appendix 1).

3. PROPOSALS

The Carers Programme has been established but, due to it being in its early stages, there are no proposals that can be submitted for consideration at this time.

4. CONCLUSION

This report sets out the achievements and challenges of the Carers Programme to date in its work to support unpaid carers across Perth & Kinross.

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NOTE: No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information), were relied on to any material extent in preparing this report.

1. IMPLICATIONS, ASSESSMENTS, CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

Strategic Implications	Yes / None
HSCP Strategic Commissioning Plan	Yes
Transformation Programme	No
Resource Implications	
Financial	No
Workforce	No
Assessments	
Equality Impact Assessment	Yes
Risk	No
Other assessments (enter here from para 3.3)	No
Consultation	
External	Yes
Internal	Yes
Legal & Governance	
Legal	No
Clinical/Care/Professional Governance	No
Corporate Governance	No
Communication	
Communications Plan	No

1. Strategic Implications

1.1 Strategic Commissioning Plan

This section should set out how the proposals relate to the delivery of the Perth and Kinross Strategic Commissioning Plan

- 1 *prevention and early intervention,*
- 2 *person centred health, care and support*
- 3 *work together with communities*
- 4 *inequality, inequity and healthy living*
- 5 *best use of facilities, people and resources*

The Carers Programme seeks to support unpaid carers to continue in their caring role thereby reducing carer crisis, keeping families together and making best use of resources.

2. Resource Implications

2.1 Financial

Not applicable.

2.2 Workforce

Not applicable.

3. **Assessments**

3.1 Equality Impact Assessment

Under the Equality Act 2010, PKC and NHS Tayside is required to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations between equality groups. Carrying out Equality Impact Assessments for plans and policies allows the HSCP to demonstrate that it is meeting these duties.

This section should reflect that the proposals have been considered under the Corporate Equalities Impact Assessment process (EqIA) with the following outcome:

- (i) Assessed as **not relevant** for the purposes of EqIA
- (ii) Assessed as **relevant** and actions taken to reduce or remove the following negative impacts: (add summary points only here)
- (iii) Assessed as **relevant** and the following positive outcomes expected following implementation: (add summary points only here).

This will be a future requirement and will be completed at a later stage.

3.2 Risk

Not applicable.

3.3 Other assessments

Not applicable.

4. **Consultation – Patient/Service User first priority**

4.1 External

As described in 2.3 of this report.

4.2 Internal

As described in 2.3 of this report.

5. **Legal and Governance**

5.1 Not applicable.

5.2 Not applicable.

6. Communication

6.1 Not applicable.

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS/REFERENCES

Not applicable.

8. APPENDICES

Appendix 1. Carers Programme Board Terms of Reference