

**ANGUS COUNCIL**

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**ANGUS HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE DRAFT INTEGRATION SCHEME**

**REPORT BY RICHARD STIFF, CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

**ABSTRACT**

To seek Angus Council agreement on the consultation and finalisation of the Integration Scheme pending submission to Scottish Government by 31 March 2015 for Ministerial scrutiny and approval.

**1. RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Council:

- (i) note the Consultation Summary attached at **Appendix 1** and the follow-up actions;
- (ii) note the final Angus Draft Integration Scheme attached as **Appendix 2**;
- (iii) agree the final Draft Integration Scheme which has been revised following consultation and has been the subject of a report to Tayside NHS Board on 12 March 2015 and the Health and Social Care Integration Shadow Joint Board on 17 March 2015;
- (iv) note that further technical changes are likely prior to Scottish Government submission, and a recommendation to delegate authority to the Chief Executives of Angus council and NHS Tayside to approve these and report back to NHS Tayside Board and Angus Council on these changes if required; and.
- (v) nominates two Administration members and one non Administration member to the Shadow Board.

**2. CURRENT POSITION**

2.1 The draft Angus Integration Scheme has been the subject of discussion and development between partners since October 2014. The draft document has been informed and iteratively developed via a range of inputs including the Regulations of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014, a Model Integration Scheme and draft Guide to Reviewing an Integration Scheme, all issued by Scottish Government, and a wide consultation with partners and key stakeholders across Angus.

2.2 The following principles were agreed by the Parties and followed in respect of the consultation process:

- The views of all participants were valued;
- It was transparent;
- The results of the consultation exercise are to be published and any questions answered on the key themes which emerged;
- It was an accessible consultation;
- The material for consultation was provided in a variety of formats;
- The draft scheme was published and comments invited from members of the public;
- It was the start of an on-going dialogue.

2.3 The proportionate joint consultation on this Scheme from late December 2014 until 22 February 2015 used a range of engagement methods including:

- A questionnaire available by email to a range of partners, carers and the wider public;

- Wide electronic distribution, including 200 public reference members, with information available on the home pages of Angus Council and NHS Tayside;
- A joint press release which informed the public of events in their locality and how to access the Scheme electronically;
- Social media - Twitter and Facebook;
- Health & Social Care Integration Team members attended many standing meetings to invite comment and discussion;
- Electronic team briefings for staff and drop in events in a range of venues.

A log of responses to the consultation has been kept and work is underway to respond to the 98 questions which have been raised via the questionnaire, electronic distribution, open events and team briefings. The log also records comments made by the Scottish Government Policy team. A summary of the key consultation themes which emerged from the online survey is attached at Appendix 1.

#### 2.4 Common themes which have emerged from the consultation include:

- Integration is a great idea and about time;
- If one person can do the job why have two people going in;
- Clear and user friendly communication and information is required to explain how Integration will make a difference;
- Further events are required to brief staff;
- Clarity required around locality boundaries;
- How will the money be allocated and is it based on what we have now;
- Build on the good work that is already happening as Integration will formalise what we already do;
- The capability for information sharing/data collection to avoid duplication and improve communication and safety is a priority for many;
- The Locality Model was supported, especially the idea of local Resource Hubs and one-stop shops;
- Many people identified the very close relationship with Self Directed Support;
- Skills and capacity to deliver new models of care in the community was regularly explored.

These themes, although not directly influencing major change to the Integration Scheme, will be used to inform ongoing strategic planning activity, where significant continued engagement will be a feature.

#### 2.5 As a result of the consultation changes have been made to the draft Integration Scheme prior to submission to the Scottish Government. Many of these changes relate to comments made by the Scottish Government Policy Team and Angus Council democratic services. Note should be taken of the following:

- Reference has been made to Appendix 1 in the preamble as this list will be included with our submission to the Scottish Government. It is not required as part of the formal Scheme but is a useful reference.
- Throughout the document reference to the Joint Board has been changed to Integration Joint Board to avoid any confusion with NHS Tayside Board.
- Definitions and Interpretations have been checked to ensure legal compliance

- **Section 3**

Numbering throughout the document has been changed since previous drafts. Section 3 now reflects text, as it relates to the relevant Regulations and to the local governance arrangements. This development was advised by the Scottish Government Policy Team but in doing so numbering had to be changed to allow this section to fit in with the rest of the document.

- **Section 4**

Reference has been removed to a Joint Committee as this is no longer required. More detail has been inserted with regard to the support resources (4.4) which will be made available to the Integration Joint Board to allow it to fulfil its functions. The role of the Chief Officer has been made more explicit with regard to operational management leading to

clarity of the Integration Joint Board operational oversight and the process for considering performance has been strengthened (4.1 and 4.9).

- **Section 5**

Clearer links have been made between the Integration Scheme and the Tayside Clinical and Care Governance and Professional Governance Framework to ensure that accountability is clear and transparent (5.16 – 5.18).

- **Section 6**

Reporting between the Chief Officer the Acute Director and the Integration Joint Board have been made clearer (5.3).

- **Section 8**

This section has been strengthened to set out the process which will be followed to consider the Set Aside budget for the Integration Joint Board (8.16, 8.17 and 8.21).

- **Section 9**

Support that is being provided to the Integration Joint Board by the Parties is now clearer. Information has been included on the consultation process (9.1 – 9.3).

- **Section 14**

All reference to the Integration Joint Board has been removed as this section only relates to the Parties. Legal advice indicates that the role of the Leader of the Council and the Chief Executive NHS Tayside in this process should not be prescribed.

### **3. PROPOSALS**

Angus Council to agree the final Draft Integration Scheme, note that further technical changes are likely prior to Scottish Government submission, and delegate authority to the Chief Executives of Angus Council and NHS Tayside to approve these and report back to NHS Tayside Board and Angus Council on these changes.

### **4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

None.

### **5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS (IF APPLICABLE)**

None.

### **6. CONSULTATION (IF APPLICABLE)**

The stakeholders consulted in the development of Integration Scheme include:

Perth and Kinross Council;  
Dundee City Council;  
Health professionals;  
Users of health care;  
Carers of users of health care;  
Commercial providers of health care;  
Non-commercial providers of health care;  
Social care professionals;  
Users of social care;  
Carers of users of social care;  
Commercial providers of social care;  
Non-commercial providers of social care;  
Staff of NHS Tayside and Angus Council;  
Union and staff representatives;  
Non-commercial providers of social housing; and  
Third sector bodies carrying out activities related to health or social care.

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

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List of Appendices:

- Appendix 1:** A summary report on the recent consultation exercise for the Integration Scheme for Health and Social Care Integration in Angus and the comments received
- Appendix 2:** Angus Draft Integration Scheme as at 19.03.15