Ministerial Strategic Group for Health and Community Care Integration Review Leadership Group

Self-evaluation

For the Review of Progress with Integration of Health and Social Care

March 2019





MINISTERIAL STRATEGIC GROUP FOR HEALTH AND COMMUNITY CARE (MSG) REVIEW OF PROGRESS WITH INTEGRATION OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE - SELF EVALUATION

There is an expectation that Health Boards, Local Authorities and Integration Joint Boards should take this important opportunity to collectively evaluate their current position in relation to the findings of the MSG review, which took full account of the Audit Scotland report on integration published in November 2018, and take action to make progress. This evaluation should involve partners in the third and independent sectors and others as appropriate to local circumstances. This template has been designed to assist with this self-evaluation.

To ensure compatibility with other self-evaluations that you may be undertaking such as the Public Services Improvement Framework (PSIF) or those underpinned by the European Foundation for Quality Management (EFQM), we have reviewed examples of local self-evaluation formats and national tools in the development of this template. The template is wholly focused on the 25 proposals made in the MSG report on progress with integration published on 4th February, although it is anticipated that evidence gathered and the self-evaluation itself may provide supporting material for other scrutiny or improvement self-evaluations you are, or will be, involved in.

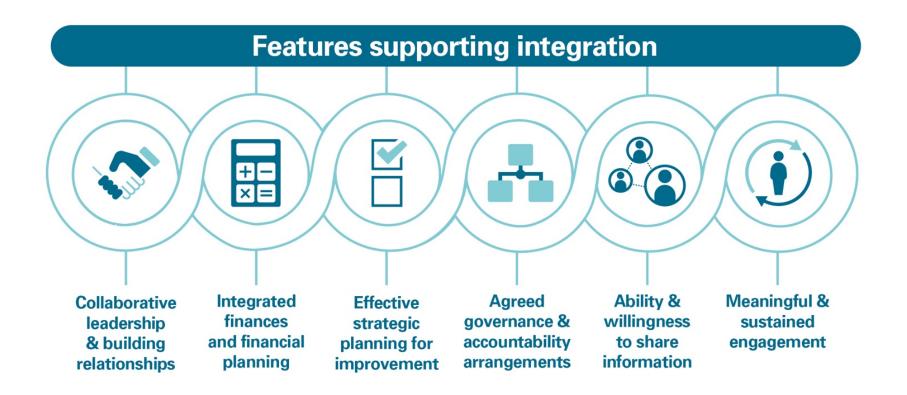
Information from local self-evaluations can support useful discussions in local systems, sharing of good practice between local systems, and enable the Integration Leadership Group, chaired by the Scottish Government and COSLA, to gain an insight into progress locally.

In completing this template please identify your rating against each of the rating descriptors for each of the 25 proposals except where it is clearly marked that that local systems should not enter a rating. Reliable self-evaluation uses a range of evidence to support conclusions, therefore please also identify the evidence or information you have considered in reaching your rating. Finally, to assist with local improvement planning please identify proposed improvement actions in respect of each proposal in the box provided. Once complete, you may consider benchmarking with comparator local systems or by undertaking some form of peer review to confirm your findings.

We greatly appreciate your assistance in ensuring completion of this self-evaluation tool on a collective basis and would emphasise the importance of partnership and joint ownership of the actions taken at a local level. Please share your completed template with the Integration Review Leadership Group by 15th May 2019 – by sending to Kelly.Martin@gov.scot

It is our intention to request that we repeat this process towards the end of the 12 month period set for delivery of the all of the proposals in order that we can collectively demonstrate progress across the country.

Thank you.
Integration Review Leadership Group
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Key Feature 1 Collaborative leadership and building relationships

Proposal 1.1

Rating Descriptor	Not yet established	Partly established	Established	Exemplary	
Indicator	Lack of clear leadership and support for integration.	Leadership is developing to support integration.	Leadership in place has had the ability to drive change with collaboration evident in a number of key areas. Some shared learning and collaborative practice in place.	Clear collaborative leadership is in place, supported by a range of services including HR, finance, legal advice, improvement and strategic commissioning. All opportunities for shared learning across partners in and across local systems are fully taken up resulting in a clear culture of collaborative practice.	
Our Rating			Х		
Evidence / Notes	Leadership in Angus is focused on the delivery of whole systems approaches through our strategic plan. There is collaborative leadership at all levels of the organisation evidenced by our organisational structure. Leadership has been characterised by the development and delivery of, for example the Angus Care Model which has delivered significant progress towards shifting the balance of care. There continues to be opportunities to strengthen leadership through the development of the workforce at all levels (workforce includes third and independent sector partners).				
	 There have been a range of leadership training and development opportunities available. Including: There is a Leadership training offering from both Angus Council and NHS Tayside but no integrated approach to delivery of training 				
	 Some access to 	national collaborative	leadership programmes.		
	 Collaborative Le 	eadership development	programme commissioned for	or Executive Management Team	

- Strategic Commissioning Training delivered to SPG however there has been some turn over in membership with no induction or further training opportunities
- Induction for IJB voting members is undertaken and regular development events on specific issues are offered for all members
- A number of leadership events have taken place but these have been singular events with minimal followed through. Shared learning is happening but is not supported by an organisational development or training system that enables a holistic approach to be taken to this to maximise collaborative opportunities
- Induction is offered by both AC and NHST for new staff but there is no integrated induction

- The Partnership's workforce plan should be reviewed to take account of the leadership development needs of the partnership. This must include an integrated leadership programme across the partnership with a focus on developing integrated responsibility and accountability and crossing organisational boundaries at an individual level.
- A formal system for succession planning should be developed and implemented. Opportunities for succession planning
 and growing the 'care workforce' are considered as part of the Tay Cities Deal, on-going progress within the workforce
 development programme should continue to look at opportunities for succession planning, new talent initiatives and
 growing the care workforce.
- The Integration Scheme reviewed and support arrangements to be formally established which identify the financial and human resources contributed by statutory partners that are necessary to accomplish partnership goals. This should also consider the development of service specifications for each area with a focus on securing financial, resource, and strategic commitment of both partners to support organisational development within the Partnership.
- A process of assurance should be developed to ensure that prospective members have the commitment and time to meet Board commitments in the medium term.
- Raise awareness within NHS Tayside of the importance of partnership working through the GP subcommittee and the Clinical Alliance
- Develop a formal approach to induction for all new IJB members and regular training for all members

Rating	Not yet established	Partly established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	Lack of trust and understanding of each other's working practices and business pressures between partners.	Statutory partners are developing trust and understanding of each other's working practices and business pressures.	Statutory partners and other partners have a clear understanding of each other's working practices and business pressures – and are working more collaboratively together.	Partners have a clear understanding of each other's working practices and business pressures and can identify and manage differences and tensions. Partners work collaboratively towards achieving shared outcomes. There is a positive and trusting relationship between statutory partners clearly manifested in all that they do.
Our Rating		Х		
Evidence / Notes	better collaboration inclusion formal arrangements and is not consistent. Formation in the consistent of the consistent of the collaboration of the collabor	uding improving trust, trad through development all arrangements include AC and NHST exec make partnership attend a poard, Tayside clinical af Public Health represent PG regularly, attendance and ent sector is represe king groups	ansparency and understanding sessions aimed at supporting inagement teams range of meetings with partners NHST at the IJB regularly ace by NHST representatives hanted at IJB, SPG, Locality Imports Council's Children and Famil to integrated children's service	nership working. There continues to be efforts to build g of each other's business underpinned by these culture change. Progress in some areas is good but rs e.g. community planning partnership, Tayside older and Chief Social Work Officer represents AC as been less regular. To rovement Groups, Senior Leadership team and in ies service – this supports transition and builds a planning is limited due to capacity issues. There is a

	 Locality approaches, central to the strategic intention of both Child Protection Planning and Health and Social Care Integration are also working closer together, aligning on public health issues, inequalities and poverty. Communication arrangements with Council elected members to keep them informed about AHSCP decisions that impact their constituencies are through regular written updates some developments AC community's officers attend the Locality Improvement Groups and Locality Improvement Group representation is provided for all community planning locality forums. There are some approaches to Tayside wide collaboration including the unscheduled care collaborative and the mental health alliance
Proposed	Develop and implement a consistent approach to cross agency guidance in work planning areas.

improvement actions

- Develop a consistent approach across the Partnership that enables joint job descriptions and recruitment where appropriate and encourages a culture of integration.
- Improve the strategic connect in relation to integrated children's service planning.
- Formalise and implement a regular communication approach with Council elected members to keep them informed about Partnership decisions that impact their constituencies.

Rating	Not yet established	Partly established	Established	Exemplary	
Indicator	Lack of engagement with third and independent sectors.	Some engagement with the third and independent sectors.	Third and independent sectors routinely engaged in a range of activity and recognised as key partners.	Third and independent sectors fully involved as partners in all strategic planning and commissioning activity focused on achieving best outcomes for people. Their contribution is actively sought and is highly valued by the IJB. They are well represented on a range of groups and involved in all activities of the IJB.	
Our Rating			X		
Evidence / Notes	is more limited. Signification involvement in a number contracts. Scottish Care Partnership in decision. The Third and independent and recognised as key IJB I SPG Locality Ir Senior Le	Third sector representation and involvement across a range of partnership activity is very good. Independent sector representation is more limited. Significant funding is provided to Voluntary Action Angus, our local TSI to support third sector representation and involvement in a number of areas. Funding is also provided to a wide range of third sector organisations through grants and contracts. Scottish Care have been commissioned to support improvement in the interface between the Independent sector and the Partnership in decision making forums The Third and independent sectors are routinely engaged in arrange of activities particularly in relation to strategic commissioning and recognised as key partners. They are represented at: > IJB > SPG > Locality Improvement Groups > Senior Leadership Team > Finance Monitoring Group			

There are regular meetings with personal care providers and care home providers and improvement groups in each locality where care home providers work together supported by Scottish care.

There is a good interface between third and independent sector providers with the procurement team and with operational staff Resources have been set aside for a third sector collaborative to identify approaches for improved provision of activity that moves people away from statutory interventions. Decisions about how these resources are used are recommended by the collaborative. A market facilitation statement has been published to help strengthen understanding of the needs of the partnership from third and independent sector partners.

- Work with the third sector to improve funding and contractual arrangements
- Review the arrangements for the third sector collaborative fund.
- Continue to build relationships with third sector organisations throughout Angus and increase involvement in order to develop stronger resilience in communities and support preventative approaches.

Key Feature 2

Integrated finances and financial planning

Proposal 2.1

Health Boards, Local Authorities and IJBs should have a joint understanding of their respective financial positions as they relate to

integration

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	Lack of consolidated advice on the financial position of statutory partners' shared interests under integration.	Working towards providing consolidated advice on the financial position of statutory partners' shared interests under integration.	Consolidated advice on the financial position on shared interests under integration is provided to the NHS/LA Chief Executive and IJB Chief Officer from corresponding financial officers when considering the service impact of decisions.	Fully consolidated advice on the financial position on shared interests under integration is provided to the NHS/LA Chief Executive and IJB Chief Officer from corresponding financial officers when considering the service impact of decisions. Improved longer term financial planning on a whole system basis is in place.
Our Rating		X		
Evidence / Notes	The Chief Executive of Angus Council and the Section 95 Officer have regular meetings with the Partnership's Chief Officer and Section 95 Officer where meeting timetables, including that of budget setting are shared. Drafts of the Strategic Plan are also shared and there is an understanding of intended improvements and goals. There are some challenges to be overcome to shift to more consolidated advice. These include: • There are concerns regarding the budget setting process for many historical areas of spend which are impacting potentially on the fairness of the Partnership's current allocation, particularly around prescribing. • There are delays in properly reflecting the Integration Joint Board's financial position in Partner reporting (NHST). • Partner clarity on reporting exposure to Integration Joint Board financial risk needs improved. There is an understanding from the council's perspective of the various financial positions as they relate to the integration agreement. Financial reports go to the IJB meetings and there is coverage in the Council's corporate monitoring reports, however financial advice could be better consolidated.			

Proposed
improvement
actions

- Partners develop financial planning/reporting that reflects their role as a partner with the Health and Social Care Partnership.
- Meetings with NHS Tayside, Angus Council and the partnership should be set up quarterly to build a common understanding and further support the budget setting process, and Partnership financial risk reporting.

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary	
Indicator	Lack of clear financial planning and ability to agree budgets by end of March each year.	Medium term financial planning is in place and working towards delegated budgets being agreed by the Health Board, Local Authority and IJB by end of March each year.	Medium term financial and scenario planning in place and all delegated budgets are agreed by the Health Board, Local Authority and IJB by end of March each year.	Medium to long term financial and scenario planning is fully in place and all delegated budgets are agreed by the Health Board, Local Authority and IJE as part of aligned budget setting processes. Relevant information is shared across partners throughout the year to inform key budget discussions and budget setting processes. There is transparency in budget setting and reporting across the IJB, Health Board and Local Authority.	
Our Rating		Х			
Evidence / Notes	There are challenges with this areas characterised by the lack of synchronised financial planning cycles. This means that: IJB budget settlements are usually agreed by the Council and the IJB around March in each year. Budget agreements with NHS Tayside are usually later on in the year. Despite some early clarity, final clarity regarding NHS Tayside's devolved resources is still not available around specific risks. There is little long-term clarity regarding budget setting. There is little evidence to suggest that statutory partner leaders jointly identify resources needed to accomplish partnership goals. From the Council's perspective there is an inclusive approach from IJB officers contributing to meetings during the Council's budget setting process. Agreement is generally reached well ahead of March between Officers and formal approval by both parties in February. Recent Scottish Government late funding changes have made this process challenging. There is no medium term budget agreement at present however joint meetings are taking place between Chief Finance Officers of Council's, IJB's and Health boards to look at funding gaps and discuss financial challenges.				

- NHS Tayside should bring forward budget setting timelines and dedicate resources to resolving remaining risk areas.
- Develop a clear link between long term Scottish Government financial plans and Integration Joint Board financial planning. It should be noted that the Integration Joint Boards financial plans need to be agreed prior to 31 March 2019 to ensure good financial planning.
- Statutory partner leaders should jointly identify resources needed to accomplish partnership goals.
- Develop a single integrated review process for local HSCP budget

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	Currently have no plan to allow partners to fully implement the delegated hospital budget and set aside budget requirements.	Working towards developing plans to allow all partners to fully implement the delegated hospital budget and set aside budget requirements, in line with legislation and statutory guidance, to enable budget planning for 2019/20.	Set aside arrangements are in place with all partners implementing the delegated hospital budget and set aside budget requirements. The six steps for establishing hospital budgets, as set out in statutory guidance, are fully implemented.	Fully implemented and effective arrangements for the delegated hospital budget and set aside budget requirements, in line with legislation and statutory guidance. The set aside budget is being fully taken into account in whole system planning and best use of resources.
Our Rating		X		
Evidence / Notes	Lack of resolution in this area has significantly impacted on the ability of the Partnership to plan and deploy its allocated resources flexibly and efficiently There has been a failure to agree hospital set aside mechanisms and devolved budgets. Work is ongoing to identify and quantify large hospital set aside for use by the IJB. This is a legal requirement which is not being met. This issue is reported to the IJB regularly (ref IJB report nos 3/19, 21/19). The establishment of a Tayside wide unscheduled care board offers some opportunity to understand how improvement in this area might be delivered. There is limited evidence of shifting the balance of care from Acute services and moving resources along pathways to follow patients. .			

Proposed improvement actions	•	Hospital set aside_mechanisms and devolved hospital budgets should be agreed and financial adjustments made by March 2020. NHS Tayside must work with Integration Joint Boards to resolve the Large Hospital Set Aside agenda.

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary		
Indicator	There is no reserves policy in place for the IJB and partners are unable to identify reserves easily. Reserves are allowed to build up unnecessarily.	A reserves policy is under development to identify reserves and hold them against planned spend. Timescales for the use of reserves to be agreed.	A reserves policy is in place to identify reserves and hold them against planned spend. Clear timescales for the use of reserves are agreed, and adhered too.	A clear reserves policy for the IJB is in place to identify reserves and hold them against planned spend and contingencies. Timescales for the use of reserves are agreed. Reserves are not allowed to build up unnecessarily. Reserves are used prudently and to best effect to support full implementation the IJB's strategic commissioning plan.		
Our Rating			Х			
Evidence / Notes	A reserves policy is in place which includes planned spend and timescales. Reserve updates are provided in all IJB Finance reports. This includes how reserves may be used. The policy on flexible use of reserves and contingencies needs further development.					
Proposed improvement actions	Develop policies regarding process for ear-marking reserves.					

Statutory par Rating	rtners must ensure appr Not yet established	opriate support is proversity Established	vided to IJB S95 Officers. Established	Exemplary	
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Indicator	IJB S95 Officer currently unable to provide high quality advice to the IJB due to a lack of support from staff and resources from the Health Board and Local Authority.	Developments underway to better enable IJB S95 Officer to provide good quality advice to the IJB, with support from staff and resources from the Health Board and Local Authority ensuring conflicts of interest are avoided.	IJB S95 Officer provides high quality advice to the IJB, fully supported by staff and resources from the Health Board and Local Authority and conflicts of interest are avoided. Strategic and operational finance functions are undertaken by the IJB S95 Officer. A regular year-in-year reporting and forecasting process is in place.	IJB S95 Officer provides excellent advice to the IJB and Chief Officer. This is fully supported by staff and resources from the Health Board and Local Authority who report directly to the IJB S95 Officer on financial matters. All strategic and operational finance functions are integrated under the IJB S95 Officer. All conflicts of interest are avoided.	
Our Rating		х			
Evidence / Notes	Clear and detailed finance reports are regularly received from the Chief Finance Officer which provides advice to the Integration Joint Board and the Chief Officer. The ability to provide high quality financial advice is inhibited by resources available with resources available subject to regular discussion. There are risks however to delivering his work as there is an erosion of support for corporate functions generally as reductions in support services take effect in the partner organisations. The Integration Joint Board's financial support from the partner authorities has regularly been noted as a risk. This remains the situation and support provided generally is not sufficient to meet the needs of the Partnership. This position creates a difference in view between partners in relation to performance in this area as the erosion of these corporate functions is likely to affect all partners.				

- Dialogue to date with Partners has not resulted in the level of support required for the Integration Joint Board. Any actions to address this can only be taken forward if agreed with Partners.
- Develop the review of support arrangements with Angus Council.
- Dedicated support is provided from within the Council's finance service. This may not be considered sufficiently resourced by the Partnership to meet their needs but the Council view it as commensurate with that provided to other finance clients relative to the overall resource available.
- Dedicated NHS finance support being developed to work with CFO

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	Total delegated resources are not defined for use by the IJB. Decisions about resources may be taken elsewhere and ratified by the IJB.	Total delegated resources have been brought together in an aligned budget but are routinely treated and used as separate health and social care budgets. The totality of the budget is not recognised or effectively deployed.	Total delegated resources are effectively deployed as a single budget and their use is reflected in directions from the IJB to the Health Board and Local Authority.	Total delegated resources are effectively deployed as a single budget and their use is reflected in directions from the IJB to the Health Board and Local Authority. The IJB's strategic commissioning plan and directions reflect its commitment to ensuring that the original identity of funds loses its identity to best meet the needs of its population. Whole system planning takes account of opportunities to invest in sustainable community services.
Our Rating			X	
Evidence / Notes	Both Partners do appear to accept the principle of funding losing its identity and this helps the IJB manage its overall resources. There are challenges in improving performance in this area including: • Whilst the source of funding remains evident in financial planning reports, there has been a positive focus on the overlate and interface between the two statutory providers in terms of desired outcomes and application of savings measures, including benefits realisation and reinvestment. • Within the Partnership budgets and resources discussions are not undertaken as a collective and the impact of any efficiencies on other parts of Partnership is not always evident and can have unintended consequences • Respective statutory partners routinely request revenue and performance information for separate budgets			

- Within the IJB, the IJB should work to ensure that there is an increased shared understanding of resource management and of the flexibilities available to redesign resources / remodel / reallocate resources within the Partnership.
- As a future test, the IJB will work with NHST finance to look at a model of diabetes care improvement across the whole system which allows transfer of funds as appropriate.

Key Feature 3 Effective strategic planning for improvement

Proposal 3.1

Statutory partners must ensure that Chief Officers are effectively supported and empowered to act on behalf of the IJB.

Rating Not yet established Partly Established Established Exemplary

Indicator Lack of recognition of The Chief Officer is The Chief Officer is The Chief Officer is entirely empowered to act and

	and support for the Chief Officer's role in providing leadership.	not fully recognised as pivotal in providing leadership. Health Board and Local Authority partners could do more to provide necessary staff and resources to support Chief Officers and their senior team.	recognised as pivotal in providing leadership and is recruited, valued and accorded due status by statutory partners. Health Board and Local Authority partners provide necessary resources to support the Chief Officer and their senior team fulfil the range of responsibilities	is recognised as pivotal in providing leadership at a senior level. The Chief Officer is a highly valued leader and accorded due status by statutory partners, the IJB, and all other key partners. There is a clear and shared understanding of the capacity and capability of the Chief Officer and their senior team, which is well resourced and high functioning.	
Our Rating		wien gerner tearm	X		
Evidence / Notes	The Chief Officer is seen as central to the strategic leadership and delivery of health and care services and is valued by partners yet support to deliver these functions is not sufficient and is diminished by triple reporting processes and governance arrangement including, for example, performance reporting, equality mainstreaming, information governance. • The Chief Officer is the Accountable Officer of the Integration Joint Board. The Chief Officer is a substantive member of the respective executive teams in order to facilitate corporate support for the delivery of the Integration Joint Board's strategic plan and objectives, not in order to support the priorities of the Council or NHS Tayside. • Individual support is provided by AC and NHST Chief Executives through individual 1 to 1 meeting however these are not joint meeting as required by the integration scheme				

- Angus Council and the Partnership collaborate in relation to the Integration Scheme, Financial Regulations, Standing Orders, Scheme of Delegation to the Chief Officer and there is legal attendance at the Integration Joint Board, Audit Committee and pre agenda meetings. A Scheme of Delegation to the Chief Officer (both in terms of Angus Council and the IJB) is in place. Legal Advice is provided to the Council and the IJB by the same persons.
- There is no formal support services agreement between NHS Tayside/Angus Council/Integration Joint Board. The Integration Scheme requires that an agreement would be developed within three months of the establishment of the Integration Joint Board. The last action on this issue was a report to the Integration Joint Board on 17 February 2016 (Report No: 19/16). A support arrangement was drafted across a number of areas in 2016. There have been many service changes both in NHS Tayside and Angus Council undertaken with consequences for the Partnership perhaps not fully considered and no engagement with the partnership during service evaluations or the change process. It is recognised however that these changes very often have come from the respective resource position of partners and are also felt by partners themselves. The draft support arrangement was not sufficiently explicit in some areas and due to the level of change in partner organisations is no longer complied with. There is a lack of support from statutory partners in key areas such as strategic planning, finance, procurement, performance information, IT to progress an integrated agenda, HR to address integrated approaches to recruitment, organisational development and integrated training. This is characterised by a lack of joint and integrated working by Angus Council and NHST teams who support this work.

- Service level agreements setting out explicitly the support arrangements and associated resources must be developed.
- Discussions must take place with partner organisations to secure additional resource to meet strategic commissioning requirements and address capacity and capability issues for strategic planning and commissioning. This should include for example: adequate procurement support to timeously progress the Partnerships priorities; NHS Tayside should consider a member of the business unit being deployed in Angus to support Angus information and data.
- The position and role of the Chief Officer as set out in legislation should be more clearly reflected in the partners arrangements.
- The Integration Joint Board will make more use of directions to make clear to the partner bodies how they wish them to carry out functions of the Integration Joint Board and the role of the Chief Officer and Senior Managers in delivery.
- Partner agencies must consider the impact on the Partnership when making service changes.
- Partner agencies must ensure that Angus HSCP is consulted on strategic plans

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary	
Indicator					
Our Rating					
Evidence / Notes	NOT FOR LOCAL COM	MPLETION - NATIONAL	INSPECTORATE BOI	DIES RESPONSIBLE	

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary	
Indicator					
Our Rating					
Evidence / Notes	NOT FOR LOCAL COM	MPLETION - NATIONAL	BODIES RESPONSIBL	E	

Proposal 3.4 Improved str		missioning arrangeme	ents must be put in place.	
Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	Integration Authority does not analyse and evaluate the effectiveness of strategic planning and commissioning arrangements. There is a lack of support from statutory partners.	Integration Authority developing plans to analyse and evaluate the effectiveness of strategic planning and commissioning arrangements. The Local Authority and Health Board provide some support for strategic planning and commissioning.	Integration Authority has undertaken an analysis and evaluated the effectiveness of strategic planning and commissioning arrangements. The Local Authority and Health Board provide good support for strategic planning and commissioning, including staffing and resources which are managed by the Chief Officer.	Integration Authority regularly critically analyses and evaluates the effectiveness of strategic planning and commissioning arrangements. There are high quality, fully costed strategic plans in place for the full range of delegated services, which are being implemented. As a consequence, sustainable and high quality services and supports are in place that better meet local needs. The Local Authority and Health Board provide full support for strategic planning and commissioning, including staffing and resources for the partnership, and recognise this as a key responsibility of the IJB.
Our Rating		X		
Evidence / Notes	strategic and are all foci Angus Care Model also Angus HSCP has not un for the Strategic Plannir	used in one direction. A helps in increasing undendertaken an assessmen Group to undertake the or strategic commission	clear vision exists in the strategerstanding and acceptance of the of our effectiveness in relation is following the publication of the there is evidence that some	ns. This is to ensure that all plans fall out of the gic plan developed through wide engagement; the hese and sharing information. In to strategic planning. Plans are in place however the 2019-22 Strategic Commissioning Plan. Using the esupport has been put in place but more needs to be

	Commissioning cycle	Procurement cycle
	Angus Council undertook a review of social work support arrangements (including strategic planning) in the year prior to integration. This review determined that all adult care strategic planning posts were no longer required. There were no NHS Tayside posts in place at integration to support strategic planning in Angus. Posts to support strategic planning were established using integrated care fund and subsequently other savings made by the Partnership	There has been a reduction in the level of procurement support from Angus Council since integration. Angus Health and Social Care Partnership have provided additional resources from savings to fund additional posts within Angus Council's procurement team, from savings for additional support in some areas and have plans for funding further support. There is an impact from lack of support in this area which means there is a limit to delivering change approved by the Integration Joint Board at pace. For example there was originally a whole time member of staff supporting care home procurement, now this post is 0.8 FTE and also supports other procurement functions. This despite purchasing being in the region of £17m from external providers and £4m from internal providers. A post to support personal care procurement is wholly funded by the partnership. A further post will be funded by the partnership to deliver other work some of which is new.
Plan	Support for strategic planning has been put in place by the partnership itself through mostly using ring fenced funding (Integrated Care Fund) and operational resources.	Council procurement staff supports the development of specifications with lead officers from the partnership. Procurement officers develop purchasing plans, tenders and contracts.
Do	Support for areas provided through operational managers. Some funded through partnership ring fenced funding and moving operational resources.	Contract management is delivered by procurement staff.
Analyse	Angus Council have provided one Information and Research Officer post to support data extraction from care first. Support from NHS Tayside business unit is challenging and has not improved greatly in the past 3 years even with ongoing discussion. Most NHS Tayside data is provided by the ISD LIST team. We would benefit from a member of the business unit being deployed in Angus to support Angus information and data. Support from Public Health has been provided for population data and information to support needs assessment. Public health support for equalities mainstreaming.	Contract monitoring is delivered jointly between Council Procurement Officers and Partnership lead managers.

Review

Support for review functions have largely been put in place by the Partnership from ring fenced funding such as the Integration Care Fund and from operational resources.

There is little support for the development of data to meet the partnership's needs. Tayside groups have been put in place to try to address this with little progress. There is significant reliance on ISD to provide necessary data for performance reporting

A market facilitation statement has been produced by the Partnership with little input from Angus Council.

We need to work to deliver a better approach to managing market performance to meet our strategic needs. This will require a more flexible and responsive support arrangement to meet Integration Joint Board needs than that currently provided. The procurement team are not able to respond in a timely manner to new procurement needs, for example potential nursing development for care homes, prevention of admission care home development and mental wellbeing support in primary care.

There is recognition from NHST that there is a lack of strategic planning function at board level. There is also a lack of alignment of plans for example Transforming Tayside, NHS operational delivery plans and HSCP strategic commissioning plans.

- The Audit committee is to undertake an assessment of the Partnerships effectiveness in relation to strategic planning
- The Strategic Delivery Plan should include clear steps that demonstrate how the ambitions for change (goals) within the Strategic Plan will be achieved.
- The SPG must have oversight of all transformation and improvement plans
- All leads for operation and other improvement plans must address the Angus 6R's for improvement and transformation through their plans
- The workforce plan should be reviewed and brought into line with the Strategic Plan for 2019-22 including addressing goals, improvement and timescales.
- Angus Council has had a focus on efficiency and effectiveness across all areas. This has streamlined management and processes. The Partnership should consider further ways to reduce back office functions to enhance or protect frontline services.

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	No plans are in place or practical action taken to ensure delegated hospital budget and set aside arrangements form part of strategic commissioning.	Work is ongoing to ensure delegated hospital budgets and set aside arrangements are in place according to the requirements of the statutory guidance.	Delegated hospital budget and set aside arrangements are fully in place and form part of routine strategic commissioning and financial planning arrangements. Plans are developed from existing capacity and service plans, with a focus on planning delegated hospital capacity requirements with close working with acute sector and other partnership areas using the same hospitals.	Delegated hospital budget and set aside arrangements are fully integrated into routine strategic commissioning and financial planning arrangements. There is full alignment of budgets. There is effective whole system planning in place with a high awareness across of pressure, challenges and opportunities.
Our Rating		Х		
Evidence / Notes	Locally little progress has been made regarding Large Hospitals and there is little evidence of shifts in resources along patient pathways. There are no Strategic commissioning arrangements in place to support delegated hospital functions in relation to unplanned admissions. An unscheduled care board has been established across Tayside and this may offer some solution to planning future bed models and requirements. The partnership out support in place to ensure that a review of community hosp arrangements has been undertaken and improvement plans delivered. Reference is made to IJB reports 3/19 and 21/19 which highlight the lack of progress in this area.			

Proposed
improvement
actions

- Hospital set aside and devolved hospital budgets should be agreed and financial transfers made by April 2020.
- NHS Tayside requires to work with Integration Joint Boards to develop the Large Hospital Set Aside agenda.

Key Feature 4

Governance and accountability arrangements

Proposal 4.1
The understanding of accountabilities and responsibilities between statutory partners must improve.

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	No clear governance structure in place, lack of clarity around who is responsible for service performance, and quality of care.	Partners are working together to better understand the governance arrangements under integration to better understand the accountability and responsibilities of all partners.	Clear understanding of accountability and responsibility arrangements across statutory partners. Decisions about the planning and strategic commissioning of delegated health and social care functions sit with the IJB.	Clear understanding of accountability and responsibility arrangements and arrangements are in place to ensure these are reflected in local structures. Decisions about the planning and strategic commissioning of delegated functions sit wholly with the IJB and it is making positive and sustainable decisions about changing the shape of care in its localities. The IJB takes full responsibility for all delegated functions and statutory partners are clear about their
				own accountabilities.
Our Rating			X	
Evidence / Notes	Accountability and governance arrangements are in place underpinned by the Integration Scheme which are reflected in local structures. There is still some overlapping particularly in relation to clinical governance and performance reporting which contobe required in three organisational structures. The Integration Joint Board is supported by Angus Council committee servitand legal services; this provides support for the management of IJB business. The IJB Chair receives legal and democratic support at pre agenda meetings (attended by the Chief Officer and Chief Finance Office and others) and at IJB meetings. Angus Council Social work committee no longer exists. The Council abolished its Social Work and Health Committee when the was established.			vernance and performance reporting which continues is supported by Angus Council committee services. The IJB Chair receives legal and democratic ince Office and others) and at IJB meetings.

There remains opportunity for improvement as there appear to be significant areas of duplication, particularly in terms of decision-making processes. For example, under the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act and the Angus Integration Scheme, decisions on the design and delivery of adult services and allocation of budgets to those services are fully within the responsibility of the Integration Joint Board. However, a range of financial, policy, and procurement decisions continue to be submitted to Angus Council Committees for scrutiny and approval. This undermines the efficiency of Integration Joint Board business and its statutory independence and accountability. In part the problem lies in the fact that the Integration Joint Board has not made full use of its power to direct the partners. This may have resulted in the partners being unclear about the extent to which they are continuing to act under their own authority and the extent to which they are acting only under the direction of the Integrated Joint Board in carrying out partnership functions on the Integration Joint Board's behalf. This situation is further compounded by the lack of clarity about the basis on which the Chief Officer is responsible for operational management of delivery of the Partnership's functions.

- An accountability and governance framework must be shared with partners.
- The Integration scheme and support agreement should be reviewed
- The Integration Joint Board will make more use of directions to make clear to the partner bodies how they wish them to carry out functions of the Integration Joint Board and the role of the Chief Officer and Senior Managers in delivery.

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	Accountability processes unclear, with different rules being applied across the system.	Accountability processes being scoped and opportunities identified for better alignment.	Accountability processes are scoped for better alignment, with a focus on fully supporting integration and transparent public reporting.	Fully transparent and aligned public reporting is in place across the IJB, Health Board and Local Authority.
Our Rating			Х	
Evidence / Notes	HSCP website public daccessible to all. NHS accessing data and inforpartner organisations m	ashboards. Finance rep Tayside does not feel th ormation as support has nean triple reporting arra	orts are also provided regularly at the level of reporting of the parting of the parties been declined or never been	ed. Performance information is available on Angus y to the IJB and therefore as published papers are partnerships is sufficient. There are challenges in in place. Different governance arrangements in esources within the partnership to provide all the on

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	IJB lacks support and unable to make effective decisions.	IJB is supported to make effective decisions but more support is needed for the Chair.	The IJB Chair is well supported, and has an open and inclusive approach to decision making, in line with statutory requirements and is seeking to maximise input of key partners.	The IJB Chair and all members are fully supported in their roles, and have an open and inclusive approach to decision making, going beyond statutory requirements. There are regular development sessions for the IJB on variety of topics and a good quality induction programme is in place for new members. The IJB has a clear understanding of its authority, decision making powers and responsibilities.
Our Rating			X	
Evidence / Notes	respected, encouraged of membership. Over the Non-voting representate and Vice chair, other voofficer, members of the Induction for Integer Regular development	and heard. However the past 6 months voting lives of NHS Tayside had bring members and the particle Executive Leadership Tration Joint Board voting them to sessions for Integral	ere is still room for improvemer members from both Angus Cove ve also been subject to change	l services. held on a variety of topics.

Proposed
improvement
actions

- Develop an induction process for new non-voting members of the Integration Joint Board and Strategic Planning Group members.
- Seek assurance from partners on the term of office of voting and non-voting members for the IJB

Proposal 4.4 Clear directions must be provided by IJB to Health Boards and Local Authorities.					
Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary	
Indicator	No directions have been issued by the IJB.	Work is ongoing to improve the direction issuing process and some are issued at the time of budget making but these are high level, do not direct change and lack detail.	Directions are issued at the end of a decision making process involving statutory partners. Clear directions are issued for all decisions made by the IJB, are focused on change, and take full account of financial implications.	Directions are issued regularly and at the end of a decision making process, involving all partners. There is clarity about what is expected from Health Boards and Local Authorities in their delivery capacity, and they provide information to the IJB on performance, including any issues. Accountability and responsibilities are fully transparent and respected. Directions made to the Health Board in a multi-partnership area are planned on an integrated basis to ensure coherence and take account of the whole system.	
Our Rating			X		
Evidence / Notes	On an annual basis the Angus Integration Joint Board issues directions to both Angus Council and NHS Tayside regarding services to be delivered through both Partners. Previously it has been agreed that these will be issued by the Chief Officer, and this process will be undertaken in the early part of the new financial year. Providing directions annually to Angus Council and NHS Tayside by the Integration Joint Board does not meet the new draft guidance on directions. The draft guidance from the Scottish Government has been considered and new arrangements are being developed for implementation once the final guidance is received.				
Proposed improvement actions	 On receipt of the final version of the new guidance on directions from the Scottish Government, develop new processes in relation to the use of directions. A formal framework for consultation between the Integration Joint Board and the partner bodies will be established to ensure that wherever proposed action by one or other of the bodies might impact of the work of the Partnership, the Integration Joint Board and its Chief Officer are fully involved in the decision making process and have the opportunity to consider whether the Integration Joint Board requires to give direction in relation to the carrying out of Partnership functions by that body. 				

Continue to highlight the value of integration and the benefits it brings to host organisations, emphasising legal delegation of powers as necessary.		

Proposal 4.5 Effective, co	herent and joined up clin	ical and care governa	nce arrangements must be in	n place.
Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	There is a lack of understanding of the key role clinical and professional leadership plays in supporting safe and appropriate decision making is not well understood. Necessary clinical and care governance arrangements are not well established.	There is partial understanding of the key role clinical and professional leadership plays in supporting safe and appropriate decision making. Arrangements for clinical and care governance are not clear	The key role clinical and professional leadership plays in supporting safe and appropriate decision making is fully understood. There are fully integrated arrangements in place for clinical and care governance.	The key role clinical and professional leadership plays in supporting safe and appropriate decision making is fully understood. Arrangements for clinical and care governance are well established and providing excellent support to the IJB. Strategic commissioning is well connected to clinical and care governance and there is a robust process for sharing information about, for example, inspection reports findings and adverse events information, and continuous learning is built into the system.
Our Rating			X	
Evidence / Our Notes	A Tayside Clinical and Care Governance Framework, Getting It Right For Everyone was agreed in 2015. This is currently being reviewed. In Angus a Clinical and Care Governance group has been established with integrated membership at service manager level. It has been subject to a review resulting in a new approach to overseeing all requirements. The arrangements include: • A shared approach to Clinical and Care Governance improvement work is in place. For example a standard format for governance reporting has been agreed, developing a reporting framework, developing a common self-evaluation tool across the Partnership and a single approach to the management of the risk framework and risk management plan. • Each service area has a clinical and care governance group involving operational staff chaired by the service manager • Locality Improvement group are established in each locality. They are focused on developing and delivering that shared culture, understanding and integration of community groups.			

	•	NHS and Council IT systems that support clinical and care governance re not integrated
Proposed improvement actions	•	Establish a sub group of the CCPG to act on inspection results, adverse events, LAERs in order to inform developments within the partnership through feedback to CCPG for action by the operational managers and heads of service. Risk registers should be developed which allow clinical, care and professional governance risks to be identified and acted on. Identify options for a single IT system to support all CCPG needs

Key Feature 5 Ability and willingness to share information

Proposal 5.1

IJB annual performance reports will be benchmarked by Chief Officers to allow them to better understand their local performance data.

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	Work is required to further develop Integration Authority annual reports to improve consistency in reporting, better reflect progress and challenges in local systems, and ensure all statutory required information is reported on by July 2019.	Work is ongoing to further develop Integration Authority annual reports to improve consistency in reporting, better reflect progress and challenges in local systems, and ensure all statutory required information is reported on, by July 2019.	Integration Authority annual reports are well developed to reflect progress and challenges in local systems, and ensure all statutory required information is reported on, by July 2019. Some benchmarking is underway and assisting consistency and presentation of annual reports.	Integration Authority annual reports are well developed to reflect progress and challenges in local systems, to ensure public accessibility, and to support public understanding of integration and demonstrate its impact. The annual report well exceeds statutory required information is reported on. Reports are consistently well presented and provide information in an informative, accessible and readable format for the public.
Our Rating			Х	
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is fairly effective in its use of data to inform decision-making and planning. There has been continuous improvement in the way data is collected, validated, presented, and analysed. The support from LIST (ISD) has significantly supported this work. ISD also make benchmarked data available on their website as a matter of course. There is a well-developed approach to the production of the annual performance report. The statutory timescale for the publication of the annual report significantly diminishes the ability to include benchmarking data in it. In reality this means getting to the final meeting of the Integration Joint Board before the summer recess. (Usually June). Validated data from ISD is often not available in time. One solution would be to shift the legislative reporting requirement to September. The purpose of the annual report is to report performance to the public so we have developed other ways to keep the public informed of our progress.

- We have introduced data dashboards on the Angus Health and Social Care Partnership website. This was achieved through European funding.
- Following a meeting between partnerships from across Scotland on 29 April 2019 partnerships aim to provide summary
 information that will allow from easier benchmarking. It should be noted however that ISD do publish benchmarked data in
 respect of many aspect of Scottish IA performance.
- The use of data to inform our strategic planning has improved as our capacity and systems have strengthened over time. Data intelligence needs to improve.
- The Scottish Government, COSLA and partners have developed a digital maturity self-assessment tool to understand the level of readiness for digital transformation across health and social care services in Scotland. Scotland's Digital Health and Care Strategy was published in April 2018 and one of the early deliverables is to "Develop and roll-out an assessment of digital maturity across health and social care services, identify areas for improvement and support, and establish a process for regular review and update". NHS Boards and local authorities are currently completing their self-assessments and partnerships should be doing the same although there is nowhere within the assessment to enter a Partnership response. This raises concerns regarding whether Partnerships are being accorded appropriate status by Scottish Government and whether their needs are wholly being taken into account. This has been fed back to Scottish Government.

- Review the performance framework
- Ensure that data dashboards include benchmarking data as it becomes available
- Work with partners to develop a Partnership Intranet and Extranet capability to establish a shared space for staff from all parts of the Partnership to access policies, guidance, or information, and a shared electronic workspace for multiagency collaboration.
- Extend use of self-evaluation to services where this does not currently exist.

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	Work is required to improve the Integration Authority annual report to identify, share and use examples of good practice and lessons learned from things that have not worked.	Work is about to commence on development of the annual report to enable other partnerships to identify and use examples of good practice. Better use could be made of inspection findings to identify and share good practice.	The Integration Authority annual report is presented in a way that readily enables other partnerships to identify, share and use examples of good practice and lessons learned from things that have not worked. Inspection findings are routinely used to identify and share good practice.	Annual reports are used by the Integration Authority to identify and implement good practice and lessons are learned from things that have not worked. The IJB's annual report is well developed to ensure other partnerships can easily identify and good practice. Inspection findings and reports from strategic inspections and service inspections are always used to identify and share good practice. All opportunities are taken to collaborate and learn from others on a systematic basis and good practice is routinely adapted and implemented.
Our Rating		F	Х	

Evidence / Notes

The annual report has aimed to highlight good practice, it has include user experiences of services particularly focused on those that are new or have been subject to improvement work. We believe that this is not the only way and have worked to share both internally and externally the good practice that has been developed in Angus. For example:

• The Chief Officer of Angus HSCP chairs Health and Social Care Scotland. The Principal Officer (Strategy and Performance) chairs the national Strategic Commissioning and Improvement Network established under the banner of Health and Social care Scotland. These arrangements support the sharing of good practice at a national level. Specifically in terms of SDS, information is shared nationally

- through the SWS SDS Practice Network where Angus Health and Social Care Partnership are represented around this table. Information is also shared widely, electronically with this group on a weekly basis
- Angus delivered a presentation at the HSC Scotland event in December 2018 and is presenting a poster at the Scottish NHS conference in May 2019. Angus HSCP has also been involved in a European funded project gaining learning and sharing learning across Europe. We were accepted to present a poster at the International Conference in April 2019 but could not fund staff attendance.
- Angus HSCP website has been developed to share good practice and improvement work through our projects pages and through our newsletter Integration Matters. We also use Facebook and twitter to promote both public messaging and share good practice. The Partnership is always open to suggestions for improvements on the website and social media.
- The Locality Improvement groups are a great example of sharing information in al localities. There are locality care home improvement groups where providers are encouraged to work together on improvement and share good practice including learning from inspections.
- The Continuing the Conversation events allow sharing of good practice and demonstrate the Partnership's willingness to share information with the public and receive their input in service improvement and change.

- Identify more opportunities for sharing good practice within the annual report
- Develop a shared learning approach through the Clinical and Care Governance group.
- Develop locality pages on the website to allow for the sharing of good practice from a locality level.
- Review the communication and engagement plan to identify new ways to involve the public in improvement and decision making.

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary	
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Our Rating					
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Key Feature 6 Meaningful and sustained engagement

Proposal 6.1

Effective approaches for community engagement and participation must be put in place for integration.

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	There is a lack of engagement with local communities around integration.	Engagement is usually carried out when a service change is proposed.	Engagement is always carried out when a service change, redesign or development is proposed.	Meaningful engagement is an ongoing process, not just undertaken when service change is proposed. Local communities have the opportunity to contribute meaningfully to locality plans and are engaged in the process of determining local priorities.
Our Rating				X

Evidence / Notes

The partnership has a real commitment to involvement, a communications and engagement plan in place overseen by a group which has representatives from Angus Council, NHST, the third and independent sectors and from public participants. The Partnership has developed an approach to conversations in all our localities. Conversation events can be about service change but they are also about sharing meaningful information with the public and giving the public and opportunity to meet with Senior Officers of the Partnership to talk about services, performance and our strategy and plans. The public have been involved in the development of the strategic plan including the vision for our future. All service reviews are subject to sharing at conversation events. We have also developed website, Facebook and twitter and use survey monkey to gather more feedback. Other examples of involvement include:

• Locality plans are developed through Locality improvement groups. These groups have wide membership of local frontline staff, providers, and public and are linked to community planning arrangements. Conversation events take place in all localities supported by staff from those localities. Locality Improvement groups aim to build improvement from the ground up, extending the involvement in developing Health and Social Care services. Relationship between community planning groups and Locality Improvement groups exists through core mutual membership.

	 Angus has a very buoyant culture of Volunteering and a strong commitment to sustaining and developing volunteering at the heart of Community Planning and within a Health and Social Care context is seeking to develop 'An Angus that actively cares'. The partnership is committed to being inclusive and is always looking for creative ways to further promote public and service user involvement at all levels, but this is very challenging. We have worked jointly with community planning to deliver participatory budgeting developments in 3 areas of North Angus
Proposed improvement actions	 Update the Communication and Engagement plan to be in line with 2019-22 Strategic Plan. Strengthen the understanding of roles between the community planning partnership and the integration authority. Ensure all engagement activity that is undertaken across the whole partnership is used to inform improvement and future Strategic Planning.

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	Work is required to improve effective working relationships with service users, carers and communities.	Work is ongoing to improve effective working relationships with service users, carers and communities. There is some focus on improving and learning from best practice to improve engagement.	Meaningful and sustained engagement with service users, carers and communities is in place. There is a good focus on improving and learning from best practice to maximise engagement and build effective working relationships.	Meaningful and sustained engagement with service users, carers and communities is in place. This is given high priority by the IJB. There is a relentless focus on improving and implementing best practice to maximise engagement. There are well established and recognised effective working relationships that ensure excellent working relationships.
Our Rating			X	
Evidence / Notes	There is much crossover with the response provided under 6.1 in relation to what we have in place. This area of activity has been given a high priority through our strategic commissioning and performance arrangements. We have worked through a European project, Like! To deliver better information and engagement with communities. In relation to carers specifically, they are represented in the Integration Joint Board, Strategic Planning group, management and leadership groups and a range of improvement projects as are members of the public. There are close links with community planning. The CO is a member of the Community Planning Board and other partnership officer's act at other levels of community planning. The Partnership recognises that there are always new and improved ways to work with, carers, people who use services and local communities. The Communication and engagement plan is reviewed annually to look elsewhere for good practice with a view to seeing how that can be adopted in Angus. This has for example led to the development of the website, Facebook and twitter services whilst continuing to deliver face to face conversations in localities.			

Inspection reports, comments, complaints and complements are also used to inform our understanding of public opinion. Development has been hindered by the capacity of the partnership to focus on this work. Service leads often undertake surveys of their own users to understand the value that is placed on those services We have not however undertaken any formal review of the effectiveness of engagement arrangements and know that we could make more use of our relationship with the third sector and community planning partnership to develop joined up approaches to engagement and better sharing of the knowledge from all our activity.

- Undertake an evaluation of the effectiveness of carer, user and community engagement
- Continue to review the communication and engagement plan annually identifying and delivering best practice in engagement
- Identify opportunities with the third sector and community planning partners for shared approaches to engagement
- Agree a process for sharing the outcomes of engagement activity with community planning partners
- Improve recording and sharing the qualitative information to make clear the difference are we making. Consideration should be given to commence Agree and approach with VAA to Social Audit Accounting with the Third Sector to capture this information.

Rating	Not yet established	Partly Established	Established	Exemplary
Indicator	Work is required to improve involvement of carers and representatives using services.	Work is ongoing to improve involvement of carers and representatives using services.	Carers and representatives on the IJB are supported by the partnership, enabling engagement. Information is shared to allow engagement with other carers and service	Carers and representatives of people using services on the IJB, strategic planning group and locality groups are fully supported by the partnership, enabling full participation in IJB and other meetings and activities. Information and papers are shared well in advance to allow engagement with other carers and service
			users in responding to issues raised.	users in responding to issues raised. Carers and representatives of people using services input and involvement is fully optimised.
Our Rating			X	
Evidence / Notes	There is support for user and carer representatives on the IJB and SPG but there is room for improvement, Expenses are available to the user voice for their attendance at the Strategic Planning Group and the Integration joint Board, this is not always claimed. Expenses to support the carer voice are being resolved. They are however issues with IT equipment to support their involvement which remain to be resolved. Currently they either use their own equipment or receive paper copies of all papers. How to access mentoring support is not always clear and requires to be addressed. There is less support for user and care voice in the locality arrangements where there is no policy around expenses payments although all receive papers in a timely manner and have support from staff.			

- Develop a policy on expenses for representatives at all levels of the partnership
- Develop a policy for the provision and use of IT equipment for IJB and SPG members. This might include the issuing of email addresses.
- Ensure that all reps have a named member of staff to call upon for support and assistance with their role
- Consider how user and care reps might be supported with an induction process