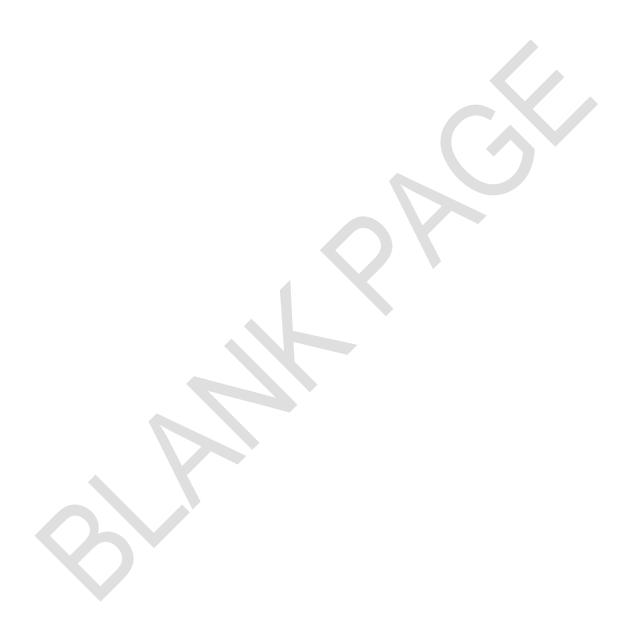
AGENDA ITEM No.10







Meeting of East Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership	Integrat	ion Joint Board	
Held on	24 June 2020		
Agenda Item	10		
Title	Postponed publication of 2019-20 Annual Performance Report		
Summary			
Following emergency legislation in response to the Covid-19 outbreak, public authorities have been granted the temporary power to delay publication of statutory reports where this would interfere with our coronavirus response. As a result, it has been decided that we will postpone publication of our Annual Performance Report to 30 September 2020, subject to IJB approval.			
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EAST RENFREWSHIRE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD

24 JUNE 2020

Report by Chief Officer

POSTPONEMENT OF PUBLICATION OF 2019-20 ANNUAL PERFROMANCE REPORT

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to notify the Integration Joint Board of the decision to postpone publication of our Annual Performance Report for 2019-20.

RECOMMENDATION

2. The Integration Joint Board is asked to note that the publication date for the HSCP Annual Performance Report 2019-20 has been postponed from 31 July 2020 to 30 September 2020 due to prioritisation of our COVID-19 pandemic response.

BACKGROUND

- 3. The Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 requires Integration Joint Boards to publish an Annual Performance Report, setting out an assessment of performance in planning and carrying out those functions for which they are responsible. The 2014 Act requires publication of the report within 4 months of the end of the financial year being reported on, therefore by 31 July each year.
- 4. In recognition of the exceptional requirements being placed on public bodies as they responded to the COVID-19 outbreak, the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020 made a number of temporary changes to statutory reporting and publication requirements (as well as Freedom of Information requests). This gave public authorities the temporary power to postpone publishing reports if they are of the view that continuing with report preparation would impede their ability to take effective action in response to the coronavirus pandemic.

REPORT

- 5. The Chief Officer has agreed to delay the publication date for the Annual Performance Report until 30 September in exercise of the power granted to public authorities under the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020 to do so. The staff who would have been involved in the preparation of the report have been heavily engaged in supporting the COVID-19 pandemic response.
- 6. A draft of the report will be presented to the Integration Joint Board at its meeting on 23 September for approval. Subject to approval, the report will be published on our website by 30 September and promoted through media channels. We will post a public notification of the rescheduling of the report on our website before the original publication date of 31 July. This approach is in line with most other IJBs in Scotland.

RECOMMENDATION

7. The Integration Joint Board is asked to note that the publication date for the HSCP Annual Performance Report 2019-20 has been postponed from 31 July 2020 to 30 September 2020 due to prioritisation of our COVID-19 pandemic response.

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