

HEALTH IMPROVEMENT AND SOCIAL JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP

At a Meeting of the Health Improvement and Social Justice Partnership held in Meeting Room 3, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton on Wednesday, 24 August 2005 at 2.00 p.m.

Present: Councillors Martin Rooney, Craig McLaughlin and Andy White (West Dunbartonshire Council); Andrew Robertson (Chair, Greater Glasgow Primary Care NHS Trust and NHS Board); Alex MacKenzie (Assistant Director of Planning and Community Care, Greater Glasgow Primary Care NHS Trust and NHS Board); *Kay Eastwood (Director of Nursing, Lomond and Argyll Primary Care Trust, Lomond and Argyll Division, NHS Argyll and Clyde) and Rev Ian Miller (Divisional Chair, NHS Argyll and Clyde Board).

* Arrived later in meeting.

Attending: **West Dunbartonshire Council:** Bill Clark, Acting Director of Social Work Services; Stephen West, Manager of Resources; David Doherty, Section Head (Elderly); Colin Meehan, Manager, Joint Learning Disability Services; Tom Jackson, Joint Manager, Addiction Services and Keith Redpath, Director (Community Health Partnership).

Argyll and Clyde NHS: Dr Edwin Robertson, Chair of the Lomond Integrated Care Steering Group and Gavin Brown, Head of Planning, Public Involvement and Communications, Lomond and Argyll, Argyll and Clyde NHS.

Health Improvement & Social Justice Partnership: Helen Watson, Joint Strategy Officer and William Pook, Joint Finance Officer.

Also Attending: Councillor Jim Bollan (West Dunbartonshire Council).

Apologies: Councillor James Flynn (West Dunbartonshire Council) and David Dowie (Operations Manager, Communities Scotland).

Councillor Rooney in the Chair

6654 The Chair, Councillor Rooney, opened the meeting by welcoming everyone present and, thereafter, he introduced and welcomed Mr Keith Redpath, Director (Community Health Partnership) to his first meeting of the Partnership.

APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR

6655 On the motion of Councillor Rooney, seconded by Councillor McLaughlin, it was agreed that the Rev Ian Miller be appointed Vice Chair of the Partnership.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

6656 The Minutes of Meeting of the Partnership held on 18 May 2005 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

THE REDESIGN OF AUCHENTOSHAN DAY CENTRE SERVICES

6657 A report was submitted by the Acting Director of Social Work Services providing an update on progress on the redesign of the Auchentoshan Day Centre Services, Dalmuir.

6658 In this connection, the Manager of Joint Learning Disability Services gave a presentation to the Partnership followed by a question and answer session. Copies of a letter from the Auchentoshan A.T.C. Parents Association to the Acting Director of Social Work Services, together with colour photographs of the Day Centre were circulated for Members' information.

6659 After discussion and having heard the Acting Director of Social Work Services in elaboration and in answer to Members' questions, it was agreed:-

- (1) that the Acting Director of Social Work Services be instructed to meet with carers and users of the Centre, in order to enable further discussion to take place; and
- (2) to note that once consultation had been completed amongst interested parties on a suitable way forward, a report would be submitted to a future meeting of the Partnership for consideration.

Note: Kay Eastwood entered the meeting at this point in the proceedings.

LEVEN COTTAGE

6660 A report was submitted by the Acting Director of Social Work Services seeking approval for the closure of the Council's residential care home at Leven Cottage, Alexandria.

6661 In this connection, it was noted that at the meeting of the Health Improvement and Social Justice Partnership held on 18 May 2005 the Partnership had agreed to consider the re-provisioning of Leven Cottage.

6662 Having heard the Chair, Councillor Rooney, it was noted that the local Member, Councillor Bollan, had made a request to address the Partnership on this matter. Councillor Bollan was then heard in support of retaining the residential care home at Leven Cottage, Alexandria.

6663 After discussion and having heard the Acting Director of Social Work Services in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, Councillor McLaughlin, seconded by the Rev Ian Miller, moved:-

6664 That the Partnership delay any decision on the future of Leven Cottage until such time as a strategy was in place dealing with future and planned nursing care facilities in Alexandria.

6665 As an amendment, the Chair, Councillor Rooney, seconded by Councillor White, moved:-

6666 That the Partnership agrees:-

- (1) to close Leven Cottage, subject to consultation with residents, carers and Trades Unions;
- (2) that respite beds from Langcraigs Home be reprovided, releasing six beds at Langcraigs;
- (3) that all staff be redeployed in suitable alternative employment; and
- (4) that the Acting Director be requested to prepare a further report for consideration at the next meeting of the Partnership dealing with the progress made in addressing the concerns of residents and carers at Leven Cottage.

6667 At the request of Councillor McLaughlin, it was agreed that the matter be determined by way of a roll call vote. On a vote being taken, 5 Members (namely Councillors Martin Rooney and Andy White and Kay Eastwood, Alex MacKenzie and Andrew Robertson) voted for the amendment and 2 Members (namely Councillor McLaughlin and Rev Miller) voted for the motion. The amendment was accordingly declared carried.

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

6668 A joint report was submitted by the Acting Director of Social Work Services and the Assistant Director of Planning (NHSGG) providing an update on the progress made in developing the West Dunbartonshire Community Health Partnership.

6669 Having heard the Assistant Director of Planning (NHSGG) and following discussion, the Partnership agreed to note the contents of the report.

REDRAWING NHS BOUNDARIES IN ARGYLL & CLYDE – A CONSULTATION PAPER

6670 A report was submitted by the Acting Director of Social Work Services informing of the Scottish Executive consultation paper on the Redrawing of NHS Boundaries in NHS Argyll & Clyde.

6671 Having heard the Acting Director of Social Work Services in further explanation and following discussion, the Partnership agreed:-

- (1) to note the contents of the report;
- (2) that the Acting Director of Social Work Services would be requested to distribute the document through all of the joint planning structures and seek responses in that regard;
- (3) that a Special Meeting of the Partnership be convened before the Consultation period ends (4th November 2005) in respect of the wide and far-reaching implications of the Consultation; and
- (4) to note that the Acting Director of Social Work Services would submit a further report on this matter to the October 2005 meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council for consideration.

JOINT PERFORMANCE INFORMATION & ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK 2004-2005

6672 A report was submitted by the Acting Director of Social Work Services advising of the contents of the draft Annual Evaluation statement of the Joint Performance Information and Assessment Framework (JPIAF) 2004/2005 submitted to the Scottish Executive in April 2005 and reported to the Partnership at its meeting on 18 May 2005.

6673 Having heard the Acting Director of Social Work Services and following discussion, the Partnership agreed:-

- (1) to note the contents of the report; and
- (2) to note the contents of the correspondence attached to the report from the Scottish Executive and that a Management response would be required by 9 September 2005 in respect of this matter.

Note: Councillor McLaughlin left the meeting at this point in the proceedings.

**ALLOCATION OF ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR ALCOHOL
AND DRUG SERVICES**

- 6674 A report was submitted by the Acting Director of Social Work Services providing an outline on service funding uplifts announced by the Scottish Executive.
- 6675 Having heard the Joint Manager, Addiction Services and the Chair, Councillor Rooney, it was agreed:-
- (1) to note the contents of the report; and
 - (2) that a further report would be submitted to a future meeting of the Partnership providing information on improvement actions and making comparisons on changes which had taken place.

**UPDATE ON CONSULTATION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A WEST OF
SCOTLAND CARDIOTHORACIC CENTRE AT GOLDEN JUBILEE
NATIONAL HOSPITAL**

- 6676 A report was submitted by the Acting Director of Social Work Services and the Assistant Director of Planning (NHSGG):-
- (a) providing an update on progress with the consultation to establish a West of Scotland Cardiothoracic Centre at the Golden Jubilee National Hospital; and
 - (b) advising of the recommendations to Greater Glasgow NHS Board to note the key themes that have emerged from the consultation; the further programme of work to address outstanding issues, and the request to the Board to consider outcomes of the consultation upon conclusion of the current programme of work.
- 6677 Having heard the Assistant Director of Planning (NHSGG) in further explanation, the Partnership agreed:-
- (1) to note the contents of the report; and
 - (2) that a further update report would be submitted to the November 2005 meeting of the Partnership for Members' consideration.

Note: Councillor White left the meeting at this point in the proceedings.

**NEW GMS CONTRACT QUALITY & OUTCOME
FRAMEWORK OVERVIEW**

- 6678 A report was submitted by the Acting Director of Social Work Services providing information highlighting how GP Surgeries are performing against national quality indicators.
- 6679 Having heard the Assistant Director of Planning (NHSGG) in elaboration, it was agreed:-
- (a) to note the contents of the report; and
 - (b) that a further update report be submitted to the February 2006 meeting of the Partnership for Members' consideration.

**GREATER GLASGOW NHS AND GLASGOW CITY COUNCIL
OSTEOPOROSIS AND FALLS PREVENTION STRATEGY –
CONSULTATION**

- 6680 A joint report was submitted by the Acting Director of Social Work Services and the Assistant Director of Planning (NHSGG) making the Partnership aware of the current consultation strategy document, produced by Greater Glasgow NHS and Glasgow City Council, relating to osteoporosis and falls prevention in respect of older people.
- 6681 Following discussion, and having heard the Assistant Director of Planning (NHSGG) in further explanation and the Section Head (Elderly) in answer to Members' questions, the Partnership agreed:-
- (1) to note the contents of the report;
 - (2) that the Acting Director of Social Work Services be requested to distribute the document through joint planning structures and seek responses in that regard; and
 - (3) that the Acting Director of Social Work Services be authorised to submit a response to the consultation on behalf of the Partnership.

**RESPONSE TO THE REVIEW OF THE CERTIFICATION AND
REGISTRATION OF BLIND AND PARTIALLY SIGHTED PEOPLE IN
SCOTLAND**

- 6682 A report was submitted by the Acting Director of Social Work Services advising of the response made to the Review of the Certification and Registration of Blind and Partially Sighted people in Scotland.

6683 Having heard the Acting Director of Social Work Services, the Partnership agreed:-

- (1) to note the contents of the report; and
- (2) to recommend that the process of Registration and Certification be phased out in light of points highlighted within the preliminary report to the Scottish Executive on this matter.

The meeting closed at 4.45 p.m.