

Draft minute of the **Health and Social Care Special Interest Group** held at 10.30am on Friday 17 May 2019 in the McGillivray Room, Kirkwall Library and Archive, Kirkwall



**Present:** Andy Spence-Jones (Chair / Advocacy Orkney), Gary Amos (Voluntary Action Orkney), Gail Anderson (Voluntary Action Orkney / representative IJB Board), Phyllis Braby (Orkney Heart Support Group), Zelda Bradley (Orkney Rape and Sexual Assault Service), Paula Campbell (Access Panel Orkney), Erika Copland (Home-Start), Fraser Devine (Orkney Care and Repair), Jeanette Mackie (Orkney Drugs Dog), Sandra Towrie (IJB Carer representative / Sanday Development Trust)

**In attendance:** Cecily Cromby (minutes), Mick Harcus (Community Safety Advocate for Scottish Fire Service)

## 1 Welcome

Andy welcomed those present and thanked them for attending.

## 2 Apologies

Apologies had been received from Hilary Allen (Citizens Advice Bureau), June Anderson (Relationships Scotland Orkney), Morven Brooks (Disability Equality Scotland), Mona Budge (Versus Arthritis), Diane Foubister (Age Scotland Orkney), Susannah Hume (Scottish Autism), Caron Jenkins (Versus Arthritis/ representative IJB Strategic Planning Group), Gill Learmonth (YPeople), Michael Mahoney (Orkney Diabetes Group), Irene Miskelly (Orkney Disability Forum), Danielle Moody (Women's Aid Orkney), Marie Owens (Scottish Autism), Gillian Skuse (Age Scotland Orkney), Patricia Urquhart (Samaritans), Michelle Ward (Women's Aid Orkney), Karen Williams (Vital Talk)

## 3 Notes of previous meeting held on 3 April 2019

The notes were approved.

## 4 Matters Arising not on the agenda

There were no matters arising not on the agenda

### **Presentation from Mick Harcus, Community Safety Advocate for Scottish Fire Service – not on agenda**

Mick reported that Scotland had the highest number of fire related fatalities and injuries per capita in the UK and noted that the elderly were most at risk. He advised that the Scottish Fire Service Orkney provided free home safety checks to all properties and asked members to refer clients they thought were at potential risk. Following a question from Zelda, he advised that female fire officers were currently in training to conduct the home safety checks should clients request a female.

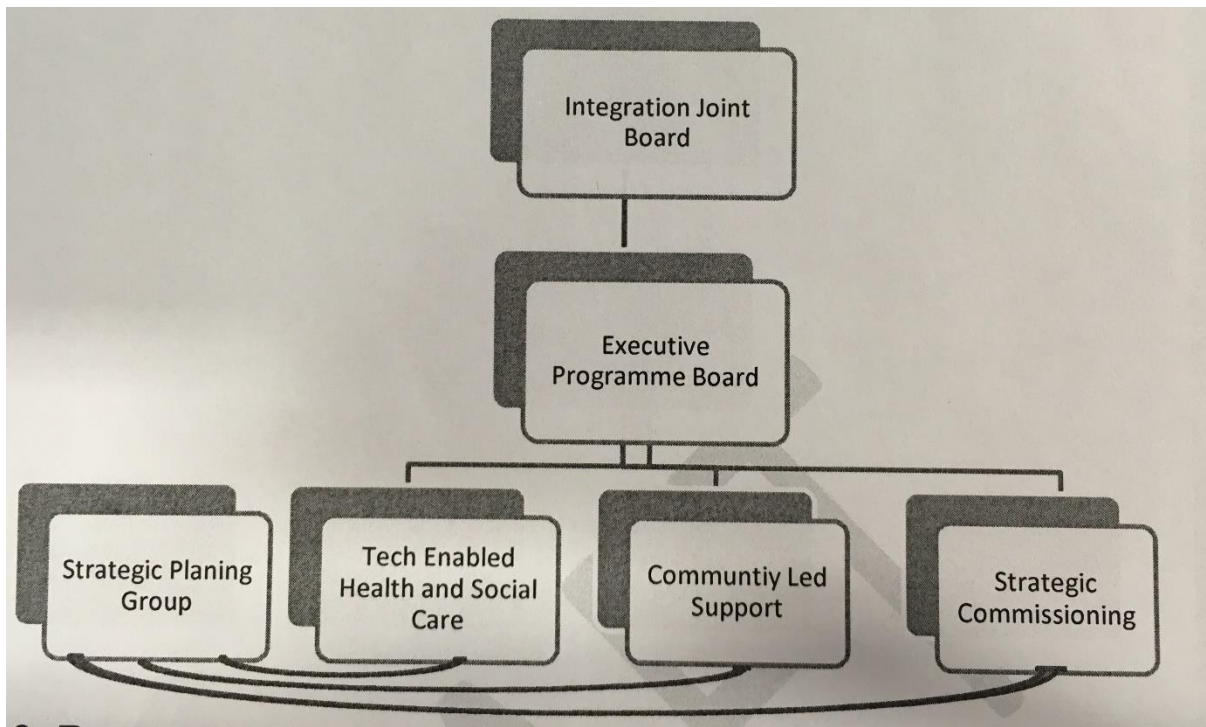
Mick advised that new legislation was due to come into force in 2021 which would require all homes to have interlinked fire alarm systems. It would be the responsibility of the property owner (ie home owner or landlord) to arrange and pay for the system. Mick encouraged people to install new systems sooner rather than wait for the deadline when demand could lead to price increases.

Mick encouraged members to contact him if they would like to arrange a fire safety talk or if they would like to refer a client for a home fire safety visit – [michael.harcus@firescotland.gov.uk](mailto:michael.harcus@firescotland.gov.uk)

## 5 Integration Joint Board

### 1. Strategic Planning Group meeting 1 May 2019 (G Amos)

Gary reported that the structure of the Integration Joint Board had changed – see image below:



Gary noted that all new groups would have representatives from the third sector. Gail advised that she was on the Executive Programme Board and the Strategic Commissioning Board. Sandra advised that she would be the carer representative on the Executive Programme Board and questioned whether carer representatives would be on the other groups. Gail noted that the selection process of third sector representatives for the groups should be democratic and would welcome comments as to how best to go about this. Andy noted the importance ensuring that the responsibility did not fall to the same people and suggested a rolling programme of representation. Sandra noted the importance of representatives from the Isles and advised that islands needed to be viewed individually as there was considerable difference between them all.

Gail reported that Health Care Improvement Scotland would be holding three workshops on co-production, the workforce in Orkney and ensuring that regulations suit Orkney's circumstances. Gail advised that she would circulate more information and dates when available.

**Action: Gail**

Gary noted that he felt positive about the new structure and hoped that the new devolved leadership would allow progress. Gail noted that the IJB was its own body and that the NHS and OIC should be accountable to the IJB, not the other way round.

Gail noted that information had been circulated informing members that the Care Inspectorate would be carrying out a Joint Inspection of Services for Children and Young People in need of care and protection in August and September. She advised that the Care Inspectorate would also contact organisations directly. Andy noted that Orkney Health and Care should not have contacted third sector organisations (via VAO) due to possible conflicts of interest.

## **2. Mental Health Strategy for Orkney (F Campbell)**

Andy gave an update on behalf of Frazer. Frazer had held a meeting with Lynda Bradford and others to ask what was happening following the Mental Health Consultation in November 2017. Frazer was informed that there would be a strategy produced by summer 2019 and that the third sector and people with mental health problems would be involved in the creation of the document.

## **6 Public Protection Committee meeting 30 April 2019 (G Anderson)**

### **1. Child Protection Committee and Chief Officer Responsibilities (attached)**

Gail asked members if they would like the Public Protection Committee to be a regular item on the agenda or whether information just be shared on the digital platform.

Gail noted that the issue of stigma was discussed at the committee meeting and that work on this would be devolved to a communication and training sub-group. Gail advised that there would be a review of adult protection legislation. Gail would keep members updated.

Gail reported that a Child Sexual Exploitation Group had been established. Zelda, although unaware of this new group, noted that she had attended very useful training with social work, police and school guidance on child sexual exploitation recently. Zelda noted that 80% of cases at Orkney Rape and Sexual Assault Service (ORSAS) involving young people were classed as child sexual exploitation rather than peer-to-peer. She noted that sometimes victims of child sexual exploitation do not consider themselves victims.

Zelda noted that ORSAS would be moving premises to the old Scottish Autism office on Bridge Street. She advised that there would be a discreet back entrance to the service and that the shop front would be used as an equalities hub that would host exhibitions from local and national groups on themes relevant to ORSAS. The hub would also be a venue for people to report hate crime.

Gail noted that p21 of the Child Protection Committee and Chief Officer Responsibilities document discussed the importance of the third sector and stated that *'where one does not already exist, establish a forum to engage locally with the Third Sector more widely in relation to child protection'*.

Gail advised members to raise issues relating to child and adult protection with her and she would take them to the committee.

## **7 ACE's Hub (verbal report, E Copland)**

Erika noted that the group was now called the ACE's Hub, rather than the ACE's Collective. Erika advised that the group had not met since the last Health and Social Care Group meeting as it was difficult to get members together due to work commitments. She advised that Louise Smith would be visiting Orkney to present a screening of the 'Broken Places' documentary at Orkney College on 19 June. Louise would also be speaking at the Home-Start AGM. Erika noted that Louise was able to visit local organisations and advised members to contact Kevin Denvir if they would like to arrange this. Erika informed member that Matt Portell from Falls High School in Nashville, USA, would be visiting Orkney in October. She also noted that the 'Paper Tigers' and 'Broken Places' documentaries would be screened on a rotational basis around Orkney.

## **8 Attached for information**

### **1. Social Security: Implementing the Devolved Powers (Audit Scotland)**

Andy noted that 11 of the 14 benefits were now devolved. Members discussed that accessing benefits was a very complex process, especially for people to know if/when they were in receipt of a benefit they were no longer entitled to, and that the Department of Work and Pensions were very unforgiving when errors were made. Members noted the importance of awareness of grants that were available. It was noted that Fiona Boubert had been appointed as Local Delivery Relationship Lead, Social Security Scotland.

### **2. The Framework for Smart Justice (Community Justice Scotland)**

Attached for information.

## **9 AOCB**

**Orkney Alcohol and Drugs Partnership** – Gail advised that one of the third sector representatives on the OADP had stood down. She asked members to let her know if they were interested in sitting on the Partnership. If more than one expression of interest was received, elections would be held.

**Health and Social Care Workforce Development Group at Orkney College** – Erika advised that she was unable to continue as the third sector representative on the group and that they would be looking for a replacement. Gary advised that he could attend on an interim basis.

**Visit from Euan Masson, Scottish Parliament Community Outreach Officer** – Gary advised that Euan Masson would be in Orkney on 27 June to hold a Q&A session. Information would be circulated when available.

**Online Platform** – Gary noted that a consultation section had been created on the platform. Gary advised that he had received details of a Social Security consultation from Scottish Government that would close on 28 May. Details were on the platform and would be emailed to members.

**Orkney Heart Support Group** – Phyllis informed members that NHS Orkney would re-advertise for another cardiac nurse. It was hoped that advertising the post at a lower level would attract more applicants. She also advised that school children were being trained in CPR.

**10 Date of next meeting:**

All meetings will be held at 10.30 in the McGillivray Room, Orkney Library and Archive.

Friday 19 July 2019

Friday 20 September 2019

Friday 15 November 2019