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Meeting Date

27 September 2023

## Glasgow City Integration Joint Board

### PRE-AGENDA QUESTIONS AND POINTS OF CLARITY ON DETAIL

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7	Implementation of a Safer Drug Consumption Facility	Will the proposal include facilities for inhaling drugs as outlined in some of the earlier papers from 2016 onwards?	Graham Haddock	The removal of the inhalation room is noted at paragraph 3.4 of the report.	Kelda Gaffney
8	Ernst & Young - Annual Audit Report 2022-23	The audit report records our financial sustainability as red. What are the implications of this for the IJB other than the fact that we might run out of money i.e., is there a legal liability for having part of the audit report rated red?	Graham Haddock	There are no legal implications of having a red status for financial sustainability. This status is helpful to the IJB because it can be used as part of the engagement with Partner Bodies regarding funding. This assessment simply reflects the level of financial risk which exists both for Glasgow City IJB but also the wider national context and the level of general reserves which exists to manage that risk. It also reflects the fact that funding from Partner Bodies is not keeping pace with cost and demand pressures which are requiring the IJB to make tough decisions in relation to savings/recovery plans. It is anticipated that most IJBs will receive this rating. It should be noted that this does not mean we are not a going concern, for which we have a green	Margaret Hogg

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				status. Our annual funding from Partner Bodies is £1.5bn, therefore the risk of running out of funding is not imminent – it simply recognises the difficult financial environment we operate in and the risk of reserves/funding from Partner Bodies not being sufficient to mitigate this risk.	
8	Ernst & Young - Annual Audit Report 2022-23	What is the significance of the auditors increasing our overall materiality from £17.75m to £18m? Can you explain the concept of materiality please?	Graham Haddock	There is no significance to the increase. The original materiality figure was based on estimates used by the auditors for gross expenditure when planning for the audit. This has simply been updated to reflect final year end actuals. The purpose of the audit is to ensure that the financial statements are free from material misstatement. In simple terms this means there have been no errors or judgements in our accounts that external audit disagree with that would breach this value. The assessment of what is material is a matter of professional judgement by the external auditor over both the amount and the nature of the misstatement and there are three materiality thresholds set – see diagram at Appendix 1 below which is an extract of EY’s Audit Plan for this year.	Margaret Hogg
8	Ernst & Young - Annual Audit Report 2022-23	What are the implications of the significant fraud risk identified on page 12 - risk of fraud in expenditure recognition?	Graham Haddock	Page 12 identifies that there is the potential for significant risk of fraud in expenditure including through management override of control. However, on page 13 it also concludes that the	Margaret Hogg

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				audit work found that there were no material misstatements relating to expenditure recognition and there were also no material weaknesses in the design and implementation of controls. This is a pretty standard audit risk. It is our duty to ensure that adequate internal controls are in place to reduce fraud risk and the report concludes that this is in fact the case.	
10	Primary Care Action Plan 2023 to 2026	Vaccination transformation Programme – para 3.5 - can we justify covering the cost of travel vaccination? Surely that should be funded by the travelers.	Graham Haddock	Travel advice and four vaccinations diphtheria, polio, and tetanus (combined booster), hepatitis A, typhoid and cholera are free on the NHS. Travellers have to pay for any other travel vaccinations that are recommended or are required for entry to a country. Please see <a href="#">Travel health and vaccinations   NHS inform</a> for more information.	Gary Dover
10	Primary Care Action Plan 2023 to 2026	Why are we covering the primary care costs of over 100000 people who do not fall into Glasgow City's catchment area? Are we recovering costs from other locations to cover this?	Graham Haddock	The PCIF is allocated by Scottish Government using the National Resource Allocation Formula (NRAC), which is based on resident population and not registered population. A large proportion of our GP registered patients live outside Glasgow City but may receive a service that is funded by Glasgow City's PCIF. At the point of receipt of our funding, therefore, the larger, patient population is not being taken into account. Some of the costs will be covered by reciprocal situations	

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				because we have residents who are registered with GPs located outside Glasgow HSCPs. In some circumstances we can put in place systems so that patients are referred to services located in the area where they live, such as treatment rooms, and vaccinations. There are discussions underway also with neighbouring HSCPs in relation to domiciliary phlebotomy for patients who reside outside their GP's HSCP. Recouping costs can be complicated, and administratively burdensome and costly to implement in practice for some services, such as pharmacotherapy.	
10	Primary Care Action Plan 2023 to 2026	What are we doing to encourage GPs to come to work in Glasgow?	Graham Haddock	At a health board level, we continue to link with higher education institutions to promote careers in NHSGGC General Practice for GPs and GP Nursing. There are a number of examples of positive work to attract GPs to work in NHSGGC. For example, after a recruitment drive, the GP Out of Hours' service now has 45 salaried GP working in the service, and this has helped to stabilize the service. In Glasgow City, to promote GP recruitment in the Glasgow South Locality, Dr John Montgomery, GP at The David Elder Medical Practice and Richard Groden, South Clinical Director, hosted the very first South GP Trainee 'Speed dating event' on Thursday 8th June at The Prince and Princess of Wales	Gary Dover

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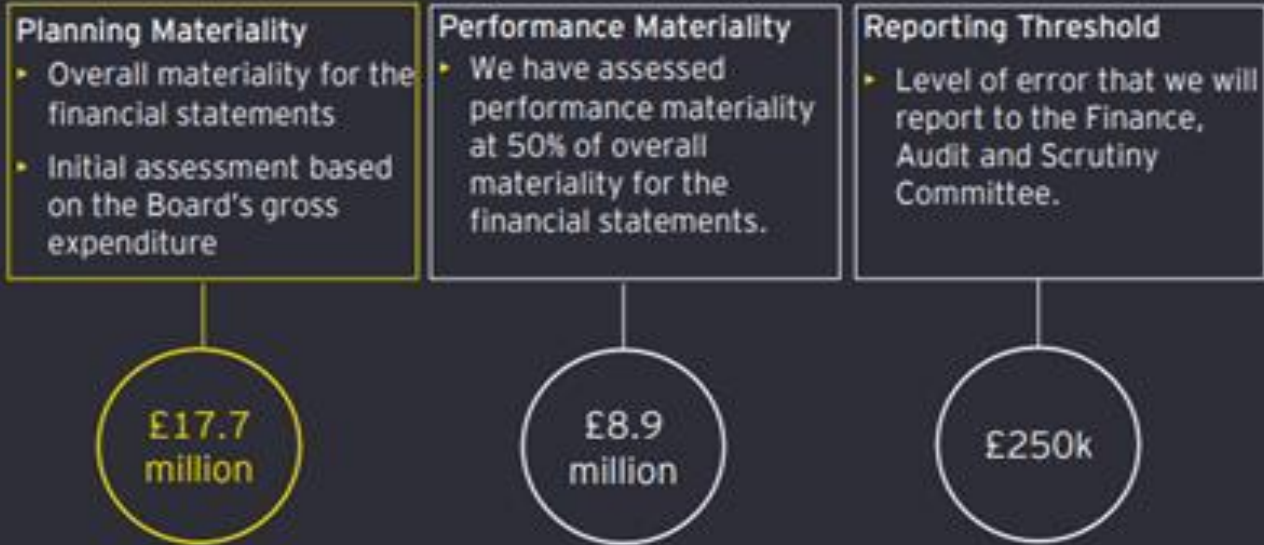
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				Hospice. The informal event provided an opportunity for 13 Trainee GPs to meet with 14 local GP practices. The popular event attracted 39 attendees that included GP trainees, GPs, and practice managers. The event received a positive response and 100% of attendees reported this event was useful and 84% reported the event was very good. As part of our work in Glasgow City to promote the sustainability of practices we will look to see what else we can do to support the recruitment and retention of GPs and other practice staff. There is a board-wide GP sustainability working group, and I will raise this question with colleagues and ask them to consider what else we could do to encourage GPs to come to the NHSGGC area.	
12	Glasgow City Integrated Children's Services Plan 2023-2026	This report is not easy to read. It is very text heavy, and the text is set to long complex paragraphs. Do we have time to revisit the layout of this report?	Graham Haddock	The Integrated Children's Services Plan is being presented for approval by the IJB. Officers are currently working with children and young people on development of a child-friendly version of the Plan and would be happy to contact IJB Members to explore any additional changes to the Plan that might be necessary or helpful.	Craig Cowan
14	Homelessness Temporary Accommodation Strategy	What are RSLs?	Graham Haddock	Registered Social Landlords - A registered social landlord is a society or company that does not trade for profit. Their objects or powers must include the provision,	Craig Cowan

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				construction, improvement, or management of housing accommodation. If a society or company meets these criteria, it will be registered with the Scottish Housing Regulator (formerly Communities Scotland) and become by definition a registered social landlord.	

**Exhibit 1: Materiality Assessment In 2022/23**



Based on our understanding of the expectations of financial statement users, we apply a lower materiality level to the audited section of the Remuneration Report. We also apply professional judgement to consider the materiality of Related Party Transactions to both involved parties.