



REPORT TO: HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD – 25 AUGUST 2021

REPORT ON: CARERS INVESTMENT PLAN UPDATE

REPORT BY: CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

REPORT NO: DIJB38-2021

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to update the Integration Joint Board in relation to work undertaken by the Carer's Partnership following report (DIJB16 – 2021 – Article VIII of the minute of 21st April 2021 refers), to seek approval of the updated Carers (Scotland) Act Investment Plan 2021-2022 and to note the anticipated allocations for 2022-2023.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Integration Joint Board (IJB):

2.1 Notes the work undertaken by the Carer's Partnership to develop investment plans described below

2.2 Approves the Carers (Scotland) 2016 Act Investment Plan 2021-2022 set out in Appendix 1 which includes anticipated allocations for 2022-2023.

2.3 Accepts the risk level described in 6.0 below

2.4 Remits the Chief Officer to issue the directions set out in section 8 below

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 Funding of £28.5 million for the implementation of the Carers (Scotland) Act 2016 has been provided nationally as part of local government finance settlement 2021/2022. This is additional to funding provided by the Scottish Government in previous years. The total budget for Dundee for 2021-2022 is £1,242,000 which has been planned for as part of the IJB's 2021-2022 budget. Of this total amount £373,369 has previously been approved by the IJB to be mainstreamed (as set out in Appendix 1). The Carers Investment Plan sets out plans for further allocation of £687,560 in 2021-2022. A total of £181,071 remains to be allocated by the IJB for 2021-22.

3.2 Appendix 1 also sets out the anticipated investment plan for 2022-23. Currently it is anticipated that £1,260,924 will be available to be allocated. This does not take into account any future increase in allocation from Scottish Government. Of this amount £378,037 has previously been approved by the IJB (assuming a 1.25% increase on 2021-2022 levels). The investment plan identifies new anticipated allocations of £1,261,306.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

4.1 Funding referred to in 3.1 above is provided to support the Local Authority to fulfil its duties in relation to implementation of The Carers Act (Scotland) 2016. The Act is designed to support carers' health and wellbeing and help make caring more sustainable. Measures include:

- a duty for local authorities to provide support to carers, based on the carer's identified needs which meet the local eligibility criteria.

- a specific adult carer support plan (ACSP) and young carer statement (YCS) to identify carers' needs and personal outcomes (separate funding is available to address the majority of needs of Young Carers).
- a requirement for local authorities to have an information and advice service for carers which provides information and advice on, amongst other things, emergency and future care planning, advocacy, income maximisation and carers' rights.
- a requirement for the responsible local authority to consider whether that support should be provided in the form of a break from caring and the desirability of breaks from caring provided on a planned basis.

4.2 As set out to the IJB in DIJB16-2021, following engagement with Carers in Dundee the following Workstreams were established:

1. Mental Health and Wellbeing
2. Outcomes and Workforce
3. Adult Carer Support Plans
4. Information and Communication
5. Carers Personalisation
6. Finance and Employability
7. Engagement and Involvement

4.3 Workstream co-leads were identified and were tasked with working collaboratively to develop proposals for investment which would meet the recommendations within the engagement report and help to take forward outstanding actions within the Carers Action Plan. The involvement of Carers in this process was facilitated by Dundee Carer's Centre, but was limited by availability of carers to be involved within the timescales.

4.4 Where Partnership members (or other relevant parties) were aware of work which should be taken forward but which did not fit within the workstreams they were encouraged to also submit their proposals.

4.5 Workstreams met (often on a weekly basis) and connected together where there were overlaps for example workforce development and information and communication. The attached investment plan is the result of that intensive work.

4.6 A template for funding proposals was sent to workstreams leads for completion. In addition workstream leads were asked to submit

- Clear narrative describing any workstream proposals which require further work
- Clear narrative describing any areas which have been identified for inclusion within the ongoing workplan of the Carers Partnership
- Any other information which will be of interest to the Carers Partnership.

4.7 These submissions were considered at a meeting of workstreams leads on 23rd June 2021 and final submissions received by 7th July 2021. The final proposals were approved at a meeting of the Carers Partnership on 14th July 2021. Although presented as separate funding proposals on the investment plan, these pieces of work will, where appropriate, be taken forward together.

4.8 This innovative and collaborative means of developing the Investment Plan is to be evaluated by the Carers Partnership to help inform future development work.

4.9 All allocations will be made ensuring compliance with current procurement legislation.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Equality Impact Assessment. There are no major issues.

6.0 RISK ASSESSMENT

Risk 1 Description	A number of achievements to date have been supported by Scottish Government Carers (Scotland) Act implementation funding. This funding is not guaranteed in future years which potentially jeopardises existing activity and development.
Risk Category	Financial, Political
Inherent Risk Level	Likelihood 3 x Impact 3 = Risk Scoring 9 (High Risk)
Mitigating Actions (including timescales and resources)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refreshed Carers Strategy will identify priorities and resource requirements for the period of the strategy.
Residual Risk Level	Likelihood 3 x Impact 2 = Risk Scoring 6 (Moderate)
Planned Risk Level	Likelihood 3 x Impact 2 = Risk Scoring 6 (Moderate)
Approval recommendation	The risk level should be accepted with the expectation that the mitigating actions are taken forward.

7.0 CONSULTATIONS

7.1 The Chief (Finance) Officer and the Clerk were consulted in the preparation of this report. This report has been developed by the Carer's Partnership, which has broad representation from statutory and voluntary bodies, and from Carers. The workstreams have extended this involvement across NHS Tayside, Dundee City Council and wider third sector.

8.0 DIRECTIONS

8.1 The Integration Joint Board requires a mechanism to action its strategic commissioning plans and this is provided for in sections 26 to 28 of the Public Bodies (Joint Working)(Scotland) Act 2014. This mechanism takes the form of binding directions from the Integration Joint Board to one or both of Dundee City Council and NHS Tayside.

Direction Required to Dundee City Council, NHS Tayside or Both	Direction to:	
	1. No Direction Required	
	2. Dundee City Council	
	3. NHS Tayside	
	4. Dundee City Council and NHS Tayside	X

9.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

9.1 None

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DIRECTION FROM DUNDEE CITY INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD

1	Reference	DIJB38-2021
2	Date Direction issued by Integration Joint Board	25 August 2021
3	Date from which direction takes effect	25 August 2021
4	Direction to:	Dundee City Council and NHS Tayside
5	Does this direction supersede, amend or cancel a previous direction – if yes, include the reference number(s)	Yes –supersedes direction DIJB28-2019
6	Functions covered by direction	Services for carers in terms of the Carers (Scotland) Act 2016 Investment Plan.
7	Full text of direction	Dundee City Council is directed to enter in to contractual arrangements with all relevant service providers and make provision for services to be provided directly by the council as identified in the Carers (Scotland) Act Investment Plan for the delivery of those services required for the implementation of the Act. NHS Tayside is directed to make provision for services to be provided directly as identified in the Carers (Scotland) Act Investment Plan.
8	Budget allocated by Integration Joint Board to carry out direction	2021-2022 Dundee City Council – £985,929 2021-2022 NHS Tayside – £75,000

9	Performance monitoring arrangements	Through the financial monitoring and workforce planning review arrangements to Dundee Integration Joint Board.
10	Date direction will be reviewed	31 st March 2022

Proposed Carers Investment Plan 2021-22

<u>Year 2021/22</u>	<u>Year 2022/23</u>	Service to be Delivered & Organisation	Comments
Projected Spend	Anticipated spend		
113,327	114,744	Caring Places - Dundee Carers Centre	Formerly funded via ICF - Agreed in Report DIJB28-2019 - Carers Investment Plan 2019/20 Article XIV of minute of 25 th June 2019 refers
32,323	32,727	Carers (Scotland) Act Implementation Officer - Dundee Carers Centre	Formerly funded via ICF - agreed in Report DIJB28-2019 - Carers Investment Plan 2019/20 Article XIV of minute of 25 th June 2019 refers
125,341	126,908	Caring Places - Dundee Carers Centre	Formerly Agreed in Report DIJB16 – 2021 (Article VIII of Minute of 21 st April 2021 refers)
11,343	11,485	Volunteer Co-ordinator -Dundee Carers Centre	Formerly Agreed in Report DIJB16 - 2021 (Article VIII of Minute of 21 st April 2021 refers)
50,625	51,258	Strategic Support - Strategy & Performance - DHSCP	Formerly Agreed in Report DIJB16 - 2021 (Article VIII of Minute of 21 st April 2021 refers)
40,410	40,915	Learning and Development - Dundee Carers Centre	Formerly Agreed in Report DIJB16 - 2021 (Article VIII of Minute of 21 st April 2021 refers)
373,369	378,037	Total of already mainstreamed Projects	
868,631	1,260,964	Funding available to be allocated at start 21/22	

Year 2021/22	Year 22/23		
	Provisional Earmarks	Proposed 21/22 (& 22/23) project spend	Comment/rationale
14,000	23,500	Increase capacity and signposting of Listening Service - NHST	Increase availability of low level mental health and wellbeing interventions for carers
25,000	49,586	Increase capacity and remove financial barriers to carers counselling - Dundee Carers Centre	Increase availability of low level mental health and wellbeing interventions for carers
18,000	58,000	Bereavement Service – DHSCP (NHST) ⁽ⁱ⁾	Continued provision of bereavement support to carers bereaved during COVID period and beyond
43,000	79,835	Young Carers Health Check - NHST	Improve health of Young Carers
13,769	23,858	Central Support re HSCP information - DHSCP(DCC)	To provide additional support re service information available to carers and the people they care for.
11,200	23,500	Carers Charter Implementation - Dundee Carers Centre	Promote the uptake of the Charter by employers. Enhance carer identification and carer support in the workplace
30,000	30,000	Awareness raising campaign - Dundee Carers Centre	12-month campaign including TV advert, increase carer identification and knowledge of supports available and promote Short Breaks & Self-directed support
6,845	13,690	Drop in support by Lead Scotland re IT - DCC	Increase the number of carers able to access information and support online
70,000	250,000	Adults Carer Support Planning Team ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	Increase uptake of ACSP and supports, thus improving carer outcomes, to improve carer identification and to embed practice and principles across the HSCP, enhancing carer experience
43,000	128,000	Streamline assessment process for replacement care to enable a short break - Dundee Carers Centre/DHSCP	Increase carer outcomes through accessing a break including wellbeing and being able to manage their caring role.
35,000	75,400	Self Directed Support (SDS) posts	Support SDS development enhance carer outcomes. Reduce barriers to access SDS and increase uptake.
40,862	180,759	Participatory Budgeting - Dundee Carers Centre ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾	Carers and communities have a direct say over how money is spent to improve carer outcomes in their locality
36,884	75,178	Involvement & Engagement Team - Dundee Carers Centre	Strengthen the support and opportunities for carer participation in the decisions that impact on their lives, services, and communities.
300,000	250,000	Increase in respite provision	Increase provision of respite provision (non chargeable) for carers
687,560	1,261,306	Total of new proposed allocations	
181,071	-342	Remaining funding available to be allocated	
1,242,000	1,639,000	Total Proposed Budget	

- (i) This relates to 2 posts which sit within the hosted Palliative Care Service in Dundee. One post is funded on a fixed term basis from NHS Tayside endowments and comes to an end in December 2021; the other post is funded through endowments while the current postholder remains in post. Should the post holder leave the post the funding will cease. This proposal seeks to secure ongoing funding for both posts. As these posts are Tayside wide we will enter discussions with Perth and Kinross and Angus HSCP re potential for contribution towards ongoing costs. There is no intention to set any precedent re funding of any hosted services.**
- (ii) This is a priority for development but needs further work to confirm costs – estimated costs included at this stage which may be reviewed within the overall budget**
- (iii) This will support Dundee Partnership efforts to give communities a stronger influence on how resources are spent in localities. We will work closely with colleagues in Neighbourhood services to ensure that this adds value to existing work**

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