

6 PREPARATION OF THE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARDS ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2020/2021 (DIJB27-2021)

Section 42 of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 states that Integration Authorities must prepare an annual performance report for each reporting year. A performance report is described as a report which sets out an assessment of performance by each Integration Authority in planning and carrying out its integration functions. The Public Bodies (Content of Performance Reports) (Scotland) Regulations 2014 sets out the prescribed content of an annual report prepared by an Integration Authority in terms of Section 42 of the Act. There is a requirement for each Integration Authority to publish their annual performance report within four months of the end of the reporting year. The fifth annual report of the Dundee Health and Social Care Partnership (for 2020/2021) is therefore due for publication by 31st July 2021.

Since 2017 the Partnership has published a summary version of the annual performance report by 31st July following consultation with all IJB members and formal approval of the content and format by the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Clerk of the IJB, Chief Officer, Chief Finance Officer and the Head of Service - Health and Community Care. The summary version has been developed to meet the requirements of the regulations, including information regarding progress against the National Health and Wellbeing Outcomes and information at Partnership and locality level in relation to financial planning and performance, best value and scrutiny / inspection. The Scottish Government has previously indicated that this approach is acceptable, as has the Clerk.

IJB members are asked to note that, consistent with the approach agreed by the IJB in 2020 (Article VIII of the minute of the Dundee Integration Joint Board held on 25th August 2020), it is not intended to utilise the provisions of the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020 Schedule 6, Part 3 to delay publication of the annual performance report until a date after 31st July 2021 but prior to 30th November 2021. To support transparency and public scrutiny a summary version will be published on or before the statutory deadline (31st July 2021), with a full version submitted to the IJB no later than 27th October 2021 for approval and subsequent publication.