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**REPORT TO: MORAY INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD ON 30 JANUARY 2020**

**SUBJECT: GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION – MACMILLAN**

**BY: CHIEF OFFICER**

**1. REASON FOR REPORT**

- 1.1 To inform the Board of an opportunity that has arisen in relation to attracting external funding.

**2. RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Moray Integration Joint Board (MIJB) considers and approves the proposals to enter into an application for grant funding.**

**3. BACKGROUND**

- 3.1. The MIJB's financial regulations state that where opportunities arise to attract external funding, relevant officers shall consider the conditions surrounding the funding to ensure they are consistent with the aims and objectives of the Strategic Plan. All grant funding to be secured by the MIJB from external bodies is required to receive approval from the Board to ensure financial implications and any match funding requirements are considered.
- 3.2. Grampian has a population of 595,000 with new cancer diagnosis annually of 3007. There are 19,300 people living with and beyond cancer, with over half of all cancer patients now living for ten years or more following diagnosis. The overall cancer incidence rate (598.6 per 100,000 people) and overall cancer mortality rate (310.1 per 100,000 people) are both lower than the Scotland (2010-14) rates. <http://www.scotpho.org.uk/comparative-health/profiles/online-profiles-tool>
- 3.3. Grampian faces similar challenges to the rest of Scotland in that the number of cancers diagnosed each year continue to increase as the population grows and ages. The number of people surviving and living with cancer in Scotland, and in Grampian, is the highest it has ever been. There is evidence of significant inequalities between and within areas.

3.4. In May 2017, Macmillan conducted a scoping exercise in Grampian to identify the priority areas for improvement in response to their strategic framework for action on palliative and end of life care 2016-2021 which resulted in the identification of five main themes which would inform strategic and service development in Grampian. The ambition is for Macmillan together with the three partnerships under the direction of the IJB's in the Grampian area to scope the non-clinical needs of people affected by cancer based on the learning derived from the scoping exercise. The five themes identified were as follows:

- health and social care integration: identify areas of good practice and areas requiring improvement;
- encouraging preventive models for health and well-being support that promote self-management and self-directed support solutions to care and advice;
- tackling cancer poverty through services designed to increase access to benefits, mitigating the worst effects of welfare reform, and sustaining people's ability to sustain employment through supporting major employers;
- creating communities of interest that can act as a resource to support statutory agencies and other providers through volunteering opportunities; and workforce development supported by Macmillan resources that increase mainstream services' ability to respond to the needs of people affected by cancer.
- Holistic Needs Assessment to ensure practical and social needs are met.

#### **4. KEY MATTERS RELEVANT TO RECOMMENDATION**

4.1. In late 2018, initial discussions took place with a Macmillan Cancer Support Programme Manager where the three Grampian IJB's were invited to be part of a project entitled 'Improving the Cancer Journey' involving the development of early response to cancer diagnosis and support. The initial discussions were surrounding the potential to provide project management to scope in each of the IJB's what could be considered as a model for the future that would fit with strategic ambition and serve localities whilst seeking to integrate with the changes already progressing.

4.2. Progress has been slow in relation to making progress towards the stage of application, one of the factors being that this will span the 3 Grampian IJB's and it has been proposed that Moray will host. Over the course of 2019, discussions have taken place across Grampian and background work has been completed in order to be in a position where an application can be made should each of the three IJB's approve.

4.3. Initially, the proposals are for a scoping project, involving a Programme Manager at 0.8 full time equivalent (FTE) and 2.4 FTE Link Workers with an aligned investment of £183k. There is a need to consider how the functions associated with this pathway could be better delivered at a local level, the ambition is not to create another layer but to consider it in the integration space of what the skills and response are, that are required within local resources to

support people through this period of stress and distress, to enhance and promote positive outcomes for people supporting positive wellbeing and welfare.

- 4.4. McMillan have confirmed that further funding may be available should the scoping identify the need for funds to implement the change, the Chief Officer has suggested that this consideration be in the context of the funding required to facilitate change should it be required avoiding the trap of service developments with limited exit strategies. This would be a conversation at a later date depending on the output of the scoping and the proposed shape of services to delivery this type of intervention effectively.

## **5. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

### **(a) Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP)) and Moray Integration Joint Board Strategic Plan “Moray Partners in Care 2019-2029”**

The Integration Scheme sets out the requirements for the MIJB surrounding financial governance. Accordingly, the MIJB holds financial regulations that are regularly reviewed and updated.

### **(b) Policy and Legal**

The financial regulations of the MIJB stipulate that any such application for grant funding should first be approved by the Board.

### **(c) Financial implications**

There are currently no direct financial implications that would fall within the budget of the MIJB. This report seeks approval to progress with an application for grant funding, initially as a scoping project with a value of £183k.

### **(d) Risk Implications and Mitigation**

There are risks attached to grant applications in that there may be future impact on the services and finances of the MIJB. Ensuring the MIJB are fully sighted on proposals and given due attention, provides a level of assurance surrounding the consideration of associated risks.

### **(e) Staffing Implications**

None arising directly from this report, however, the application, if approved will result in recruitment of staff to support the scoping project as outlined within the report.

### **(f) Property**

None arising directly from this report.

**(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact**

None arising directly from this report as there has been no change to policy.

**(h) Consultations**

The MIJB Chief Financial Officer, Locality Manager with the lead for Primary Care and the Legal Services Manager (Moray Council) have been consulted and their comments incorporated within this report.

**6. CONCLUSION**

**6.1. The MIJB are asked to provide approval for the Chief Officer to progress the grant application 'Improving the Cancer Journey' with Macmillan.**

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