



REPORT TO: MORAY INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD ON 26 NOVEMBER 2020

**SUBJECT: PUBLIC SECTOR CLIMATE CHANGE DUTIES REPORTING
SUBMISSION 2019/20**

BY: INTERIM CHIEF OFFICER

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To present the draft Moray Integration Joint Board (MIJB) Climate Change Duties Report submission for 2019/20.

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 **It is recommended that the MIJB consider and approve the draft submission to Sustainable Scotland Network (APPENDIX 1) for the reporting year 2019/20.**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 introduced targets and legislation to reduce Scotland's emissions by at least 80% by 2050.
- 3.2 Section 44 of the Act places duties on public bodies relating to climate change and requires them to:-
- contribute to delivery of the Act's emissions reduction targets,
 - contribute to climate change adaptation, and
 - act sustainably
- 3.3 Following public consultation and parliamentary scrutiny a Statutory Order under section 46 of the Act came into force in November 2015. This Order contained a list of public bodies required to annually report on compliance with the climate change duties. These major players listed in the Order were expected to submit their reports to the Scottish Government for 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016 by 30 November 2016 and annually thereafter. Both Moray Council and NHS Grampian have fulfilled these requirements.
- 3.4 Integration Authorities were required to provide annual reports for the first time in November 2017 and this was approved by this Board on 14 December 2017 (para 7 of the minute refers).

4. KEY MATTERS RELEVANT TO RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 The report attached in **APPENDIX 1** is required to be submitted to the Scottish Government by 30 November 2020.
- 4.2 The content is limited because MIJB do not own any property or vehicles and do not develop the policy surrounding the use of fuel, procurement, transport, energy, waste, ICT, property and infrastructure. The policies that are followed by staff are developed by the employing organisation, either Moray Council or NHS Grampian.
- 4.3 The principle areas that the MIJB and managers can influence is the development of a culture of environmental awareness including climate change impacts and ensuring that policies are adhered to appropriately, for example:-
- to reduce their travelling to meetings & service user contacts where possible. During 2019/20 staff were making greater use of video conferencing, saving both time travelling and costs. Significant progress in this area has arisen as a result of the introduction of Microsoft Teams in NHS Grampian which has facilitated staff being able to communicate whilst being able to work from home.
 - encouraging staff to car share to/from work and for attending meetings in the same location where possible. This was promoted by managers with teams prior to Covid 19.
 - consider further development of use of existing ICT applications such as Attend Anywhere to explore opportunities for reducing travel for staff/patients/service users within Moray.
 - reducing waste where possible and ensuring appropriate use of recycling bins and appropriate coloured bins for clinical waste.
- 4.4 As a result of the changes to service delivery caused by Covid 19 in 2020, HSCM has seen a significant increase in the use of Attend Anywhere (Near Me) by GP and other health professionals. This has reduced the amount of travelling for people (both staff and patients) saving time, money and impact on the environment. This opportunity will continue to be built on and will be reported more fully in the report for next year covering 2020/21.

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”

As defined within the Moray Integration Scheme values and meeting the strategic aims contained within the MIJB Strategic Plan 2019-29.

(b) Policy and Legal

None directly associated with this report

(c) Financial implications

None directly associated with this report

(d) Risk Implications and Mitigation

None directly associated with this report

(e) Staffing Implications

None directly associated with this report

(f) Property

None directly associated with this report

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact

As this is a performance monitoring report, an Equality Impact Assessment is not required as the report does not deal with actions which may impact adversely on groups with protected characteristics.

(h) Consultations

Consultation on this report has taken place with the Interim Chief Officer and Chief Financial Officer who are in agreement with the content in relation to their area of responsibility.

6. CONCLUSION

6.1 This report recommends the MIJB consider and approve the draft submission (APPENDIX 1) to the Sustainable Scotland Network

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