



REPORT TO: MORAY INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD ON 25 JANUARY 2024

SUBJECT: LOSSIEMOUTH LOCALITY HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PROVISION UPDATE

BY: DEPUTY HEAD OF SERVICE (INTERIM)

1. REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 To inform the Board on the progress made in relation to the development of health and social care provision within the Lossiemouth Locality, in partnership with the local community and practitioners.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Moray Integration Joint Board (MIJB):

- i) notes the current position in relation to Hopeman and Burghead branch surgery buildings;**
- ii) notes the request from the Cabinet Secretary for NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care that an officer from another Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) meet with representatives from Health and Social Care Moray (HSCM) to discuss the engagement and consultation process undertaken regarding the Burghead and Hopeman branch surgery premises; and**
- iii) agrees the role of Glasgow School of Art in supporting General Practice visioning work within Moray.**

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 On 14 July 2023, the Moray Coast Medical Practice formally notified the landlord of the Burghead branch surgery building that they were terminating the lease for the premises on 31 December 2023. The lease has now been terminated.

3.2 On 29 August 2023, the Moray Coast Medical Practice notified the Chief Officer of HSCM that they did not intend to reopen the Hopeman premises. The Moray Coast Medical Practice subsequently sold the premises to a private buyer in October 2023.

- 3.3 Mitigating actions following the closure of the branch surgery buildings remain in place and are now integrated into, and monitored through, the Forres and Lossiemouth Locality Planning Structure. The Lossiemouth Locality Planning Group (LLPG), which has community and practitioner representation, will have the role of amending and adapting said actions based on local intelligence, data and ongoing engagement. The governance of this will be through the Forres and Lossiemouth Locality Plan and will be reported to the MIJB on a 6 monthly basis as part of the Locality Planning reporting structure.
- 3.4 The LLPG intends to begin broader community engagement work in early 2024 which will help guide the LLPG and wider HSCP in future service design and delivery at a local and Moray wide level. This engagement work will be on a themed basis on topics such as transport, accessing health and social care services, and digital technology.
- 3.5 A further offer has been extended to representatives of the Save our Surgeries group to participate in the LLPG.

4. KEY MATTERS RELEVANT TO RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 The Cabinet Secretary for NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care is seeking assurance on the engagement and consultation process following being contacted by the Save our Surgeries group. They have designated an officer from another HSCP to undertake this role; the Head of Primary Care, Argyll and Bute will meet with the Save our Surgeries group and then with representatives of HSCM. The officer's remit is 'to seek assurance for the Scottish Government that consultation and engagement with communities during a process of service change has been carried out appropriately; with a view to making recommendations to the Scottish Government if he identifies any wider lessons from his visit and to Moray HSCP if there are improvements in their engagement they could make'.
- 4.2 A meeting was scheduled to take place between the nominated officer and the Save our Surgeries group on 15 January 2024.
- 4.3 A formal meeting between the nominated officer and representatives of HSCM was also scheduled for later on 15 January 2024. Prior to the meeting the officer was provided with a range of information relating to the community engagement and consultation process including links to all MIJB reports and supporting documentation. Learning gained through these discussions will be fed back to the MIJB on 28 March 2024, and will be incorporated into future engagement activity.
- 4.4 Discussions have taken place with The Glasgow School of Art (GSA) regarding what support they could provide towards helping facilitate the design of the future model of GP Practice Provision in Moray. Initial planning has identified a 3 Stage approach.
- 4.5 GSA will work with community and practitioner representatives to design a vision for a future model of GP Practice provision in Moray. This would involve working with a small group to create a draft vision, creatively share that more broadly, and refine. Key components would be; skill and resource requirements; supporting services and communities to transition; and policy

development. GSA would bring their skills, resources, and ingenuity to this process, which would be invaluable.

- 4.6 An offer will be made to representatives of the Save Our Surgery group, and the wider community, to participate in the General Practice visioning work described above, as well as reiterating the offer to be involved in the broader NHS Grampian Primary Care visioning work that is currently taking place.

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 2022-2032”

The policy and approach set out in this report is consistent with the ambitions of the MIJB Strategic Plan in providing care at home or close to home with a particular emphasis on the needs of older people. This locality approach is also consistent with the ambitions of the Moray Council Corporate Plan and the Moray Community Planning Partnership LOIP.

(b) Policy and Legal

None directly associated with this report.

(c) Financial implications

Funding will be required to be sourced for the General Practice Visioning work. Discussion is ongoing with GSA in relation to this.

(d) Risk Implications and Mitigation

There are no specific risk implications to this report.

(e) Staffing Implications

There are no specific staffing implications to this report.

(f) Property

There are no property implications to this report.

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact

There are no changes to policy as a result of this report.

(h) Climate Change and Biodiversity Impacts

There are no changes to policy as a result of this report.

(i) Directions

None directly arising from this report.

(j) Consultations

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6. CONCLUSION

6.1 That the MIJB note the content of the report and agree that GSA should be commissioned to support this work.

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Background Papers: None

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