
To: Renfrewshire Integration Joint Board

On: 10 March 2017

Report by: Chief Officer

Heading: Joint Inspection of Services for Adults

1. Summary

- 1.1 The Care Inspectorate and Healthcare Improvement Scotland advised Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership by letter on 20 January 2017 of their intention to jointly inspect their services for adults during the course of 2017/18.
 - 1.2 The national inspection guidance is currently being updated to reflect new partnership arrangements and the additional expectations around Strategic Commissioning.
 - 1.3 The Care Inspectorate and Healthcare Improvement Scotland will provide 12 weeks notice before commencing any inspection.
 - 1.4 Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership will seek clarification on when the new inspection guidance will be available and what this is likely to mean in terms of preparation.
 - 1.5 At the Chief Officers Group (COG) held on 13 February 2017, it was agreed that an action plan should be developed in preparation and anticipation of the joint inspection.
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2. Recommendation

- 2.1 It is recommended that the IJB:
 - Note the content of the report.
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3. Background

- 3.1 On 20 January 2017, the Care Inspectorate and Healthcare Improvement Scotland advised they are proposing to undertake a joint inspection of services for adults within Renfrewshire during 2017/18. The formal notification of inspection is 12 weeks prior to the commencement of the process. We await this formal notification.
- 3.2 Joint inspection arrangements have still to be confirmed, as key aspects of inspection are being revised by both organisations. This is to take account of the new responsibilities on Strategic Commissioning.

- 3.3 There will be some important differences from the joint strategic inspections which have taken place to date. Currently, no further details on the shape, focus and specific arrangements have been shared on this. Both the Care Inspectorate and Healthcare Improvement Scotland have advised that they are happy to discuss the differences in procedures for joint inspection and to this end, Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership will now seek clarification on the new joint inspection requirements.
- 3.4 At the Chief Officer's Group (COG) held on 13 February 2017, it was agreed that despite not yet receiving the 12 week prior to inspection formal notification from the Care Inspectorate and Healthcare Improvement Scotland an Action Plan should be developed in anticipation of the upcoming inspection to ensure we are sufficiently prepared and rigorous in our approach.

Implications of the Report

1. **Financial** – not applicable.
2. **HR & Organisational Development** – not applicable.
3. **Community Planning** – not applicable.
4. **Legal** – not applicable.
5. **Property/Assets** – not applicable.
6. **Information Technology** – managing information and making information available may require ICT input.
7. **Equality & Human Rights** - The recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website.
8. **Health & Safety** – not applicable.
9. **Procurement** – not applicable.
10. **Risk** – The recommendation within this report relate to ensuring that Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership are sufficiently prepared for inspection. Inspection reports are made publicly available and so our performance must reflect the high standards we adhere and aspire to achieve.
11. **Privacy Impact** – None. The information to be made available via the Publication Scheme is information which would be disclosed in response to a request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. This therefore would not include Personal Data as defined by the Data Protection Act 1998.

List of Background Papers – None.

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