

NHS Grampian

Meeting:	Grampian NHS Board Meeting
Meeting date:	7 October, 2021
Item Number:	11
Title:	Membership of Moray Integration Joint Board – Updated Integration Scheme
Responsible Executive/Non-Executive:	Simon Bokor-Ingram Chief Officer, Health & Social Care Moray
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1. Actions Recommended

To request NHS Grampian approval of the minor updates to the Moray Integration Joint Board (MIJB) Integration Scheme requested by the Scottish Government.

2. Strategic Context

The Public Bodies Joint Working (Scotland) Act 2014 (“the Act”) and the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Integration Joint Boards) (Scotland) Order 2014 (“the Order”) sets out requirements about the membership of an Integration Joint Board.

The MIJB is a legal entity that binds NHS Grampian and Moray Council together in a joint arrangement. The voting membership of the MIJB reflects equal participation by NHS Grampian and Moray Council to ensure that there is joint decision making and accountability.

To provide greater resilience and wider scrutiny across MIJB committees the MIJB Chair and, at that time, Interim Chief Officer proposed that the number of voting members be increased by one from each partner organisation from 3 to 4 members. This proposal was presented to MIJB on 29 September 2020 in a report that also outlined that if an increase in voting members was approved by Moray Council and NHS Grampian, it would require an amendment to section 3.1 of the Health and Social Care Integration Scheme that was previously agreed by the MIJB at their meeting on 26 April 2018.

MIJB agreed to progress the proposal and subsequently a report was submitted to Moray Council 28 October 2020 where the recommendation to provide an additional voting member for the MIJB was agreed.

NHS Grampian were presented with the same proposal in December 2020 and the recommendation to provide an additional voting member for the MIJB was agreed.

Public consultation was undertaken in accordance with statutory guidance and there were no comments or issues raised.

3. Key matters relevant to recommendation

Following approval from MIJB, Moray Council, NHS Grampian and appropriate consultation the request for an amendment to section 3.1 was submitted to the Scottish Government for ratification 10 May 2021.

On 9 June 2021 a response was received advising the view from Scottish Government was that this should be viewed as a successor scheme, which therefore requires review and approval by Scottish Ministers. In their response they provided comments on areas that they wished further clarification of definitions, grammar adjustments and queries around aspects that were written in 2016 or 2018 revisions that were time limited and needing updating or removing.

The appendix to this report shows the amendments, through tracked changes, that have been made.

This revised version is being submitted to the Board, will go to Moray Council on 10 November 2021 and will be put out for public consultation again. Following this and once there is approval from all parties it will be submitted to Scottish Government for ratification.

4. Risk Mitigation

The additional voting members will reduce the risk that there will be insufficient scrutiny of business and lessen the risk of meetings not taking place due to a failure to achieve quoracy.

5. Responsible System Leadership Team Member and contact for further information

If you require any further information in advance of the Board meeting please contact:

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