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Agenda Item: 10

Integration Joint Board

Date of Meeting: 24 April 2024.

Subject: Daisy Villa Practice, St Margaret's Hope.

1. Purpose

1.1. To update the Integration Joint Board on the status of the Daisy Villa Practice, St Margaret's Hope.

2. Recommendations

The Integration Joint Board is invited to note:

2.1. The upcoming retirement of both GPs in the Daisy Villa Practice.

2.2. The steps which are being taken to seek a new contractor to take on the Practice.

It is recommended:

2.3. That the Integration Joint Board, via the Chief Officer, formally writes to both retiring GPs to acknowledge their significant contribution to the communities of South Ronaldsay and Burray over many years and to thank them for their invaluable service.

3. Background

3.1. In February of this year, the GPs who have ran the Daisy Villa Practice for the last 25 years, publicly announced their intention to retire. They are aiming to step away from the Practice at the end of this calendar year.

3.2. Doctors Simon and Catriona Kemp, between them, have provided GP services to the South Ronaldsay and Burray communities for the last quarter of a century.

3.3. They have worked closely with the Primary Care Team around their intention to retire and will continue to work with the team to ensure a smooth transition to new arrangements.

3.4. The Primary Care Team is now engaged with the Central Legal Office and NHS Orkney's Procurement team to prepare a tender exercise that will seek to secure a new independent contractor to take over the Practice.

3.5. It is anticipated that this exercise will run through late Spring and into early Summer to allow ample time for a smooth handover and transition.

4. Contribution to quality

Please indicate which of the Orkney Community Plan 2023 to 2030 values are supported in this report adding Yes or No to the relevant area(s):

Resilience: To support and promote our strong communities.	Yes.
Enterprise: To tackle crosscutting issues such as digital connectivity, transport, housing and fuel poverty.	No.
Equality: To encourage services to provide equal opportunities for everyone.	Yes.
Fairness: To make sure socio-economic and social factors are balanced.	Yes.
Innovation: To overcome issues more effectively through partnership working.	Yes.
Leadership: To involve partners such as community councils, community groups, voluntary groups and individuals in the process.	Yes.
Sustainability: To make sure economic and environmental factors are balanced.	No.

5. Resource and financial implications

5.1. The Integration Joint Board manages the funding of GP services through the General Medical Services budget.

5.2. No financial implications arise from this report. However, if the procurement exercise to seek an alternative independent contractor proves unsuccessful then financial risks to the Integration Joint Board would require to be re-assessed.

5.3. It is envisaged that a change in the service provider at Daisy Villa General Practice will not result in a change in the funding mechanism for the GP services on South Ronaldsay and Burray.

6. Risk and equality implications

6.1. There is a risk that the procurement exercise seeking an alternative independent contractor to take on the Practice proves unsuccessful. Should this be the case, a further paper will be presented to the Integration Joint Board for consideration of next steps.

7. Direction required

Please indicate if this report requires a direction to be passed to:

NHS Orkney.	No.
Orkney Islands Council.	No.

8. Escalation required

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NHS Orkney.	No.
Orkney Islands Council.	No.

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