

## Independent Review of Adult Social Care in Scotland

Note of meeting – 17 September 2020 – 9:00 – 11:00

<b>Present – via MS Teams</b>	
Chair	Derek Feeley
Advisory Panel Members	Malcolm Chisholm
	Stuart Currie
	Anna Dixon
	Caroline Gardner (9am-10am)
	Göran Henriks (10am-11am)
	Ian Welsh
	Jim Elder-Woodward
Scottish Government Attendees	Alison Taylor Paul Leak Mary O'Toole Christina Naismith Gillian MacDonald Secretariat support
Apologies	
<b>1) Welcome and Introductions</b>	
Mr Feeley welcomed the panel and introduced Mr Elder-Woodward to his first meeting.	
<b>2) Minute of last meeting – 3 September 2020 (IRASC (007))</b>	
The minutes of the previous meeting were signed off without comment.	
<b>3) Finance, Commissioning and Procurement</b>	
<b>a) Paper - Adult Social Care Expenditure (IRASC (009))</b>	
<p>Mr Feeley and the panel members recognised paper IRASC(009) as a helpful introduction to finance while acknowledging its focus on Local Authority spend. They discussed the complexities of distinguishing and disaggregating the different funding streams. Ms Dixon noted the usefulness of graphic modelling and requested an overview of resourcing as a flow chart.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Secretariat to provide overview illustration of how money currently moves through the system (including information on self-funding, and on the interaction between social security benefits and public sector commissioning and procurement of social care).</p> <p>Mr Leak elaborated on IJB funding allocation, and set-aside budgets.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Secretariat to provide a detailed briefing note on set-aside budgets and to identify how this was working and where it was working well.</p> <p>Mr Feeley asked if there were any estimates or modelling of unmet need and the funding gap. Panel members were unable to identify much current research.</p>	

**Action:** Ms Dixon to follow up on her offer to contact Personal Social Services Research Unit (PSSRU) on modelling to look at future funding, including assumptions about unmet need.

**Action:** Secretariat will look into further evidence on unmet need.

Discussion that the current model of care is highly rationed and with a focus on 'life and limb' rather than prevention. Mr Feeley asked if anyone could bring examples of preventative services, suggesting the Wigan Deal as an innovative approach and Ms Dixon drew attention to Leeds Neighbourhood Networks.

**Action:** Secretariat to circulate links to Leeds Neighbourhood Networks reports.

Mr Feeley recognised the best current articulation of outcomes in Adult Social Care is Self-Directed Support (SDS) and questioned how a funding mechanism that would facilitate SDS could be built. The panel noted statistics for SDS include people opting to have their needs met by statutory systems, which is one of the 4 options available in SDS legislation.

**Action:** Secretariat to provide a paper reimagining finance flows starting from the perspective of the service user.

**Action:** Secretariat to circulate Audit Scotland report on SDS and any updates.

#### **b) Paper - Commissioning and Procurement – background briefing (IRASC (010))**

Mr Feeley thanked colleagues for their work in pulling together paper IRASC (010) and that he found it insightful. Ms O'Toole gave an overview on the paper. All recognised the complexity of current arrangements, and contrasted Adult Social Care commissioning and procurement with the NHS model.

Mr Feeley encouraged panel members to read the supplemental links in paper the Commissioning and Procurement paper.

**Action:** Secretariat to circulate Coalition of Care and Support Providers in Scotland (CCPS) report Nice People; Terrible System, 2017

Mr Feeley signed off with the suggestion that the panel and secretariat engage in 3 levels of analysis to explore possible alternative ideas for how commissioning and procurement could be improved.

- What would incremental improvements to the current approach look like?
- What would radical change to a continued commissioning model look like?
- What are the alternatives, learning from experience elsewhere?

**Action:** Secretariat to provide support and modelling on the above and possible alternative models of commissioning and procurement.

#### **4) Background briefing**

- a. Self-Directed Support (IRASC (011)) and ILF background (IRASC (012))
- b. Link to 2018 [Medium Term Financial Framework for Health and Social Care](#)
- c. Link to [Health and Sport Committee commentary on the 20/21 budget](#)
- d. Submission on funding for social care to the Commons Health Select Committee of the UK Parliament (IRASC (013))

All Papers circulated by Kelly Martin 14 and 15 September 2020

#### 5) Agenda items for meeting on 01/10

- Regulation, inspection and improvement

#### 6) Future Meeting Dates

1	Thursday 1 October 2020	9:00am – 11:00am
2	Thursday 15 October 2020	9:00am – 11:00am
3	Thursday 29 October 2020	9:00am – 11:00am
4	Thursday 12 November 2020	9:00am – 11:00am
5	Thursday 26 November 2020	9:00am – 11:00am
6	Thursday 10 December 2020	9:00am – 11:00am
7	Thursday 24 December 2020	9:00am – 11:00am
8	Thursday 7 January 2021	9:00am – 11:00am

Dates passed without comment.

#### 7) AOB

Mr Welsh noted the Alliance will be publishing major research in October on People's Experiences of using Self Directed Support.

Mr Feeley asked Mr Henriks to provide perspective on how Jönköping County enables and leverages community participation in social care.

**Action:** *Mr Henriks to share insight on community participation in social care in Jönköping County, Sweden.*