



Note of Meeting of

Health and Social Care Forum

Thursday 06 November, 10am – 12pm

Craig Mitchell House, Flemington Road, Glenrothes

Present:

Kenny Murphy (Chair), Jo Clark: Fife Voluntary Action
Linda Cruickshank: Vision, Learning Disability and Complex Needs Services RNIB Pathway
John Jones: Express Group (Fife) Ltd
Eileen McCrossan: Scottish Autism
Jackie Morrison: DPHS
Fiona MacKay: Age Concern Glenrothes
Charlie Kirsten: The Richmond Fellowship Scotland
Anne Buchanan: Alzheimer Scotland
Debbie Finlayson: British Red Cross
Mhairi Lochhead: Fife Carers Centre
Frances Howie: Kingdom Housing Association Ltd
Sofia Dogan: Fife Centre for Equalities, Fife Voluntary Action
Jim Ness, Kirsty Braid: Circles Network
Sarah Smith: LinkLiving
Laurie O'Brien: Crossroads Fife Central
Norma Philpott: CARF
Elaine Fox: ENERGI
Wendy Barbour: FEAT
George Cuthill: Fife Alcohol Support Service
Carol Reddington: Fife Day Care Services
John McKendrick: Fife Elderly Forum
Bill Baird: Royal Voluntary Service

In attendance:

Heather Ford, Change Manager: Health and Social Care Integration
Fiona McKenzie, Change Manager: Health and Social Care Integration
Christine Davison (Note of Meeting): Fife Voluntary Action

Apologies:

Alison Brown: Furniture Plus
Senga Smith: LINK - East Fife Adult Mental Health Befriending Project
Jane Maciver: LINK - East Fife Mental Health Adolescent Befriending Project

Localities Consultation

Heather Ford and Fiona McKenzie, Change Managers for Health and Social Care Integration consulted on the Fife Localities proposal. The consultation officially ran from 11 August to 3 November 2014 but was extended to accommodate the date of this Forum.

Key points:

- The Consultation approach:
 - Identifying planning principles
 - Identifying possible options based on what is known
 - Considering available data
 - Offering conclusions for consultation.
- Fife Locality Planning Principles:
 - Impact on those who use the service
 - Meeting local priorities
 - Reflect variation
 - Support integrated models
 - Community involvement
 - Benefits to the local area
- Fife has considered four options for localities (see presentation for full list of options).
- Data was shown to identify the population distribution of over 65's and GP registrations within each locality option.
- The rationale for decision making in terms of locality arrangements will be based on the option that best meets the agreed planning principles.

Q&A and discussion summary:

- Organisations should avoid working in isolation and instead aim to bring together knowledge/experience/resources to provide the best possible service. Integration is therefore about inclusive working practices. Community assets and resources will be a key factor in delivering services and empowering individuals.
- A joint strategic plan is being developed. This will outline how services are to operate within the agreed localities. This strategic plan will identify areas of need based on best available data. It is acknowledged that there are gaps in evidencing need. It is also acknowledged that smaller pockets of deprivation, particularly in affluent areas are less simple to identify. This plan will also go through consultation, and Fiona and Heather will join us at the January Forum – Thursday 22 January 2.00pm to 4.00pm – to share this plan.
- It was acknowledged that the proposed seven localities option largely reflected current planning partnership structures, and concerns were raised that this was less need driven than service led. It is acknowledged that there is a lack of information on how localities will work in practice. For example the current localities consultation is focused on the number of localities, not how these will be structured/managed; however the consultation process has started discussions.
- The group discussed their concern that politically driven committees may influence decisions on where services should be placed and where the greatest areas of need are. As discussed above, using data to identify areas of need is a key feature of the strategic plan.
- Fiona McKenzie and Heather Ford invited and welcomed ongoing engagement with the Forum on how services could be designed. Heather Ford invited members of the Forum to share videos of service users as examples of good practice.
- The point was made that we need to focus on what is not working in addition to what is.
- Concern was raised that some organisations, having adapted to a centralised administration system, would now be required to adapt to seven localities with implications on their capacity.

The formal report from the Localities Consultation will be submitted to the Shadow Board on 27 November 2014.

Integration Update

- The Joint Strategic Plan has been delayed by 12 months – this is a key document to integration. It is expected that consultation on this document will be in late summer 2015 and will allocate around £60 million in services.
- The group discussed Self-Directed Support (SDS) and how this is a key mechanism towards achieving personal outcomes, localisation and empowerment. Fife Voluntary Action is looking to support the development of a directory of third sector providers for SDS in partnership with the SDS team in Fife.
- The group discussed the role of Strategic Implementation Groups (SIG's) within the integration landscape.
- Kenny updated on the last PMG meeting:
 - A share of £6.7 million from the Integrated Care Fund has been identified for Community Capacity Building (an estimated £500,000).
 - A proposal for the CCB money has been submitted to PMG, however Kenny raised a concern that neither Fife Voluntary Action nor the Forum had been consulted or made aware of this proposal.
- Kenny reiterated that the Forum is keen to work with change managers Fiona McKenzie and Heather Ford particularly with engagement, as members of the Forum are able to bring to the fore the voice of service users.
- Heather and Fiona are keen to visit the Forum again in January to update on Integration and consult on the plan.
- The new Director of Health and Social Care, Sandy Riddell, has accepted an invitation to speak at the Forum; this will likely be in early 2015.

Member Updates

Kenny Murphy – Fife Voluntary Action

Kenny explained that FVA is taking over management responsibility of two buildings, one in Kirkcaldy and the other in Leven, which will provide office and meeting space for organisations.

In February 2015 FVA is hosting a joint Forum which will bring together the Health and Social Care Forum and the Fife Employability Forum.

Elaine Fox – ENERGI

The Mental Health Strategic Implementation Group (SIG) is developing a sub-group for veterans' mental health. Elaine asked for contact details of organisations that work with veterans. CARF and Military Matters are offered as potential contacts.

Date of the Next Health and Social Care Forum

Date: Thursday 4 December **Time:** 10.00am to 12.00pm

Venue: Leven Room, Craig Mitchell House, Flemington Road, Glenrothes, KY7 5QF