

## REPORT TO ABERDEENSHIRE INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD – 11 JULY 2018

### APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE TO INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD (IJB)

#### 1 Recommendation

It is recommended that the IJB:-

- 1.1 **Approve the appointment of Anthony Cox to the role of Public Representative to the Integration Joint Board for a period of one year;**
- 1.2 **Approve the appointment of Angelina Mutch to the role of Public Representative to the Integration Joint Board for a period of one year; and**
- 1.3 **Approve the recommendation that Stephen Graham be involved as a public representative in locality planning in North Aberdeenshire.**

#### 2 Risk

- 2.1 IJB Risk of not adequately involving and engaging with our patients/ clients, the public, staff and partners.
- 2.2 Guidance to support the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 states that the minimum membership of the Integration Joint Board (IJB) must include a service user representative.

#### 3 Background

- 3.1 Over the last few months, the Strategy Team has led on the promotion of the opportunity to be involved with the IJB as a public representative and the recruitment process in order to appoint a minimum of one service user/public representative to the IJB. The Appointments Panel met with five potential candidates on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July and are recommending that both Anthony Cox and Angelina Mutch be appointed as non-voting public representatives. The appointments will be for an initial period of one year and this will be reviewed prior to the end of this period.
- 3.2 Anthony (Tony) Cox has extensive board experience at national and international level. He was a member of the NHS Grampian Eyehealth Network Board between 2012 and 2018 and was also involved with Aberdeenshire Disability Association. Tony is willing to accept the role which has been offered subject to formal approval from the IJB. Two satisfactory references have been provided which support Tony's ability to undertake the role.



- 3.3 Angelina (Angie) Mutch is a qualified nurse and social worker. She has first-hand experience of working with many health and social care organisations. Angie is also willing to accept the role subject to formal approval. Two satisfactory references have been provided which support Angie's ability to undertake the role.
- 3.4 Stephen Graham has extensive experience as a public representative on a number of committees and advisory groups. Stephen attends most GHB meetings as an observer to maintain his knowledge and network contacts. Stephen is particularly interested in the development of services in the Buchan area and would be interested in contributing as a public representative. With Stephen's agreement, he will be advised of opportunities for this in his local area.
- 3.5 The strategy team will ensure that information and support is provided to the public representatives including official processes such as code of conduct, declaration of interests and confidential papers. A volunteer agreement will be put in place with each public representative which will detail the responsibilities of both the IJB and the representative. Following appointment both public representatives will be able to access the induction training and will have a contact person from the strategy team who can assist with additional training requirements and ongoing support.
- 3.6 The Chief Officer, along with the Chief Finance Officer and the Legal Monitoring Officer within Business Services of the Council have been consulted in the preparation of this report and their comments have been incorporated within the report.

#### **4 Equalities, Staffing and Financial Implications**

- 4.1 An equality impact assessment is not required because the recruitment of a service user/public representative is a legislative requirement of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014.
- 4.2 There are no staffing implications arising from this report. Support to the public representatives will be provided through the strategy team. Financial implications are limited to the expenses that the public representatives can claim in respect of undertaking their role

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