NHS Board Meeting 29th July 2020

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SUBJECT: KEY PRIORITIES - HEALTH INEQUALITIES

1. PURPOSE

This paper is coming to the Board:

For approval	For endorsement	To note	\square

The NHS Board is asked to note the short presentation to be delivered by the Interim Chief Executive

2. ROUTE TO THE BOARD

The paper has been:

Prepared	Prepared		Endorsed	
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by the Interim Chief Executive.

3. SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

The attached presentation outlines the key priorities for the Interim Chief Executive over the coming few months.

Of increasing focus, and highlighted in the presentation, is the desire to align the NHS Lanarkshire Corporate Objectives with those of Community Planning Partners, the 2 Local Authorities and other statutory partners (such as the Police, and the Fire & Rescue Service) to bring a renewed focus on health inequalities in Lanarkshire.

This builds upon the Black, Asian and Ethnic Minorities work that the Board will take forward, extending this approach to other marginalised groups in our community (agenda item 17).

A desire to bring partners together was part of plan to host a conference in Lanarkshire, which was being arranged for June 2020, but with the impact of Covid-19 these plans were put on hold.

However, the impact of Covid-19 on our poorest citizens and most vulnerable communities, now brings a greater emphasis to this initiative, and the Interim Chief Executive and the Director of Public Health will provide an update on the plans being agreed to host a virtual event in the next few months to establish a renewed focus to this work. The Interim Chief Executive has been working with statutory partners to agree a new approach.

Board Members will recall that we are adopting a 'place based approach' to regenerate what will be the vacant Monklands Hospital site, and the work we are taking forward with Strathclyde University and Professor Sir Harry Burns, which will form part of a wider strategic approach to tacking health inequalities in Lanarkshire.

The Interim Chief Executive and the Director of Public Health will provide further context to this key priority at the Board meeting.

4. STRATEGIC CONTEXT

This paper links to the following:

Corporate objectives	\square	АОР	\square	Government policy	
Government directive		Statutory requirement		Achieving Excellence/	\square
				local policy	
Urgent operational issue		Other			

5. CONTRIBUTION TO QUALITY

This paper aligns to the following elements of safety and quality improvement:

Three Quality Ambitions:

Safe		Effective		Person Centred	
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Six Quality Outcomes:

Everyone has the best start in life and is able to live longer healthier lives; (Effective)	
People are able to live well at home or in the community; (Person Centred)	\square
Everyone has a positive experience of healthcare; (Person Centred)	
Staff feel supported and engaged; (Effective)	\square
Healthcare is safe for every person, every time; (Safe)	
Best use is made of available resources. (Effective)	

6. MEASURES FOR IMPROVEMENT

These will be agreed between partners as part of the multi organisation effort to tackle and address health inequalities in Lanarkshire.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The delivery of services that address health inequalities will be a shared endeavour across all statutory partners, by pooling existing resources, and by delivering services in a different way.

8. **RISK ASSESSMENT/MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

The impact of Covid-19 on our communities highlights the mortality and morbidity risks that have become exacerbated by this global pandemic. The overarching structures to be put in place to drive this initiative will consider risks and management implications.

9. FIT WITH BEST VALUE CRITERIA

This paper aligns to the following best value criteria:

Vision and leadership	Effective partnerships	Governance and	
		accountability	
Use of resources	Performance	Equality	
	Management		
Sustainability			
Management			

10. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

To be addressed.

11. CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT

This will be key to the establishment of a collective effort and in taking communities with statutory partners in addressing health inequalities.

12. ACTIONS FOR THE BOARD

The Board is asked to:

Approve		Endorse	Identify further actions	
Note	\square	Accept the risk identified	Ask for a further report	

The Board is asked to:

- 1. Reaffirm its commitment to taking forward Health Inequalities as a key priority in the coming months;
- 2. Agree to the proposal being made to jointly engage with partners to agree a shared approach; and
- 3. Note the progress made to date in working with partners to establish a common purpose in tackling health inequalities in Lanarkshire.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

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