

Consultation on Glasgow's Draft Integration Scheme - Summary

Consultation Methods

All statutory consultees were given an opportunity to comment on Glasgow's draft Integration Scheme.

Most statutory consultees as outlined in Regulations were consulted via existing stakeholder representatives on Glasgow's Shadow Integration Joint Board. These individuals were sent an electronic copy of the draft document and responses invited from them, their respective organisations and colleagues before a defined date.

The statutory requirement to consult with other local authorities within the health board area was complied with via the Chief Officer Designate writing to the Chief Officer Designates of the five other local authorities within the NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde board area. These individuals were also sent an electronic copy of the draft document and responses invited before a defined date.

The statutory requirement to consult with health professionals employed by the health board, social care professionals employed by the council and other staff of both organisations who are not health or social care professionals was satisfied by an electronic copy of the draft document being issued to all staff and responses invited before a defined date.

In addition to the statutory consultees, members of the Shadow Integration Joint Board were invited to comment on the draft integration scheme at their meeting on 17th November and again when the formal consultation activity with statutory consultees was undertaken.

Further consultation was conducted with representatives of the Third and Independent Sector at Social Work Services Provider Engagement Event on 25th November where a high-level overview of the vision and principles to be included within Glasgow's Integration Scheme was shared and comments invited.

Consultation Responses

Consultation responses were received from a range of individuals, some of whom represented NHS related organisations and the Glasgow and West of Scotland Forum of Housing Associations. Comments were forthcoming from members of the IJB, SWS and SWS Legal Services, and Scottish Government.

Comments largely focused on areas which are not required to be included within the Integration Scheme, such as the local approach to identifying stakeholder members to sit on the Integration Joint Board and emphasis on the importance of an effective Engagement Strategy.

Other comments related to investment decisions or proposed priorities or objectives for the partnership. Such comments are relevant to the Strategic Plan, which will be subject to a separate consultation process in 2015, rather than to the Integration Scheme. These comments will be fed into the planning process and considered within that arena.

Comments received which are relevant to the Integration Scheme focussed on the ongoing consultation process with stakeholders, Workforce Governance, the finance section, the delegation of medical specialities and the role of Occupational Therapy as applicable to integration issues.

These comments were considered in relation to previous guidance issued in relation to drafting the Integration Scheme, and what information is appropriate to include. Comments offered will be logged and revisited as the integration progresses as, for example, they relate to offers to contribute to the engagement process, which can be incorporated into future strategic documents. A response suggested the inclusion of a section on 'Staff Governance', and this is reflected in the updated Integration Scheme.