

REPORT TO:	East Lothian Integration Joint Board
MEETING DATE:	25 February 2021
BY:	Chief Officer
SUBJECT:	Re-nomination of Voting Members and Changes to the Non-voting Membership of the East Lothian Integration Joint Board

# 1 PURPOSE

1.1 To inform the Integration Joint Board (IJB) of the re-nomination of voting members by East Lothian Council; and to seek the IJB's agreement to changes to its non-voting membership.

# 2 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 The IJB is asked to:
  - note the re-nomination of Fiona O'Donnell, Shamin Akhtar and Susan Kempson as voting members of the IJB for the maximum term of office (3 years);
  - agree the appointment of Prof. Emma Reynish as a nonvoting member, to replace Dr Gourab Choudhury, for the maximum term of 3 years; and
  - (iii) agree that from now non-voting member appointments (or re-appointments) for service users, independent sector, carers and third sector representatives should all be made for the maximum term of 3 years.

# 3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 On 26 May 2016 the IJB agreed that in order to minimise wholesale changes in membership at any one time, appointments should be staggered as follows: service users and independent sector three years; third sector and carers two years.
- 3.2 In late 2020 concerns were raised that limiting carer and third sector representatives to a 2 year terms of office could result in potential

inequalities in membership. It was agreed that this practice would be reviewed and a proposal brought to the IJB to revise these membership arrangements. In the meantime, David Binnie was re-appointed as carer representative on 10 December 2020 for a period of 3 years. Should the IJB approve this change of policy, the next appointment/re-appointment of the third sector representative position will be made for a period of 3 years, when the current term of office ends.

- 3.3 At its meeting on 23 February 2021, East Lothian Council is expected to formally agree the re-nomination of Councillors Fiona O'Donnell, Shamin Akhtar and Susan Kempson as voting members of the IJB for the maximum term of 3 years.
- 3.4 The NHS Lothian Board met on 9 December 2020 and confirmed its appointment of Prof Emma Reynish to replace Dr Gourab Choudhury in the non-voting position for a 'general medical practitioner not providing primary medical services'. This appointment is for the maximum term of 3 years. Prof Reynish is the Clinical Director for Medicine of the Elderly at the Royal Infirmary Edinburgh.

# 4 ENGAGEMENT

4.1 The issues in this report have been discussed with the appropriate nominating bodies.

# 5 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The recommendations in this report implement national legislation and regulations on the establishment of IJBs.

# 6 INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

6.1 The subject of this report does not affect the wellbeing of the community or have a significant impact on equality, the environment or economy.

# 7 DIRECTIONS

7.1 The subject of this report does not affect the IJB's current Directions or require an additional Direction to be put in place.

# 8 **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

- 8.1 Financial None.
- 8.2 Personnel None.

8.3 Other – None.

# 9 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 9.1 The Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Integration Joint Boards) (Scotland) Order 2014 (SSI 2014 No.285).
- 9.2 'Non-Voting Membership of the East Lothian IJB' report to the IJB on 26 May 2016.

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