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1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To present the 2025/26 East Lothian Integrated Board (IJB) Directions.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are recommended to:

- 2.1 Note the 2025/26 East Lothian Integrated Board (IJB) Directions.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 requires Integration Joint Boards to issue directions to their constituent Local Authority and Health Board in relation to the functions and budgets delegated to them. Statutory Guidance published in 2020, supports this process.
- 3.2 Directions are the legal mechanism by which the IJB informs the Health Board and Local Authority what is to be delivered using the integrated budget and for the IJB to improve the quality and sustainability of care, as outlined in its strategic commissioning plan. They are an important aspect of governance, providing a means by which responsibilities are made clear and evidenced.
- 3.3 Directions are binding and the Council is required to comply by law with all directions received from the IJB.

- 3.4 Annually, the IJB approves and issues directions to East Lothian Council and NHS Lothian. Like previous years, the 2025/26 Directions include core directions which meets the statutory requirement for all IJB delegated functions be covered by a direction and specific directions.
- 3.5 The IJB may choose to issue further directions throughout the year.
- 3.6 The 2025/26 Directions are being lodged in the Members' Library to ensure Members are aware of the content and requirements of the Directions.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The East Lothian IJB has in place a Directions Policy which has been developed to meet the legislation and statutory guidance.

5 RESOURCE AND OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Finance: The budget allocated to the IJB is developed through the Council's budget setting process.
- 5.2 Human Resources: None
- 5.3 Other (e.g. Legal/IT): None
- 5.4 Risk: Risk is considered through IJB and Council governance processes.

6 INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 6.1 ***Select the statement that is appropriate to your report by placing an 'X' in the relevant box.***

An Integrated Impact Assessment screening process has been undertaken, and the subject of this report does not affect the wellbeing of the community or have a significant impact on: equality and human rights; tackling socio-economic disadvantages and poverty; climate change, the environment and sustainability; the Council's role as a corporate parent; or the storage/collection of personal data.

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or

The subject of this report has been through the Integrated Impact Assessment process and impacts have been identified as follows:

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Subject	Impacts identified (Yes, No or N/A)
Equality and human rights	
Socio-economic disadvantage/poverty	
Climate change, the environment and sustainability	
Corporate parenting and care-experienced young people	
Storage/collection of personal data	
Other	

[Enter information on impacts that have been identified]

The Integrated Impact Assessment relating to this report has been published and can be accessed via the Council's website:

https://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/info/210602/equality_and_diversity/12014/integrated_impact_assessments

7 APPENDICES

7.1 None

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 [East Lothian Integration Joint Board – Review of Eat Lothian IJB Directions](#)

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East Lothian IJB Core Directions for 2024-25

NHS Lothian delivery of core primary and community health services – ref DC.1	
Date direction issued by IJB / updates	Initial direction: 9/11/2023 Updates to direction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 27/06/24 • 26/06/25 (current direction)
Direction to	NHS Lothian
Services / functions covered	<p>This direction covers primary and community health functions delegated to East Lothian IJB as required by the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 and outlined in East Lothian IJB's Integration Scheme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Hospitals • Community Nursing (including children's community health services, district nursing, health visiting & school nurses) • Community mental health services • Community learning disability services • Substance misuse services • Allied Health Professionals • General Medical Services • General Dental Services • General Ophthalmic Services • Community Pharmacy • Palliative Care provided outwith a hospital • Community continence service • Kidney dialysis services outwith a hospital • Community Complex Care
Full text of direction	NHS Lothian is directed to continue the provision of the services listed within current budgets detailed below and in accordance with any statutory / regulatory obligations where applicable and aiming to meet both national and local targets.

	<p>This includes reflecting Best Value as defined by the Local Government in Scotland Act 2023 and further detailed in the 2020 revised statutory guidance in relation to Best Value.</p> <p>Service development and delivery should be in line with East Lothian IJB’s strategic objectives and strategic delivery priorities as laid out in its Strategic Plan for 2022-2025.</p> <p>Services in the list above may be the subject of additional directions where required in response to changing circumstances, including in response to service reviews, transformation programmes, strategic developments, or financial / budget changes.</p>																											
Link to relevant IJB report	East Lothian IJB Strategic Plan 2022-25																											
Budget allocation from IJB to carry out direction	<p>The indicative budget for delivery of these services, based on the NHS M1 report is £109,881,000. The table below provides a breakdown for broad service areas. NHS Lothian have agreed that the IJB’s share of any additional funds received during the financial year for Pay Awards will be made available to the IJB.</p> <table><tr><th></th><th>Indicative Budget - £000’s</th><th>Notes</th></tr><tr><td>Community Hospitals</td><td>15,689</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Community Nursing (including children’s community health services, district nursing, health visiting & school nurses)</td><td>8,234</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Community mental health services</td><td>7,142</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Community learning disability services</td><td>641</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Substance misuse services</td><td></td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Allied Health Professionals</td><td>6,687</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>General Medical Services</td><td>40,909</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>General Dental Services</td><td>8,667</td><td>3</td></tr></table>		Indicative Budget - £000’s	Notes	Community Hospitals	15,689		Community Nursing (including children’s community health services, district nursing, health visiting & school nurses)	8,234		Community mental health services	7,142		Community learning disability services	641		Substance misuse services		1	Allied Health Professionals	6,687		General Medical Services	40,909	2	General Dental Services	8,667	3
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	Community continence service		4
	Kidney dialysis services out with a hospital		4
	Other	14,163	5
	Total	109,881	
<p>Notes</p> <p>1 The substance misuse budget is included in the community mental health budgets above.</p> <p>2 The GMS budgets include the budget for GP prescribing.</p> <p>3 These services are 'non-cash limited' and therefore do not have budgets as such. The 2024/25 expenditure shown as an indication of the quanta.</p> <p>4 These budgets are included in 'Other' below.</p> <p>5 This also included funds (Resource Transfer and Social Care Fund circa £11m which are transferred to the IJB's social care budget).</p>			
Alignment with IJB Strategic Objectives / Delivery Priorities	<p>This direction relates to the following Strategic Objectives outlined in the IJB Strategic Plan:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop services that are sustainable and proportionate to need 2. Deliver new models of community provision, working collaboratively with communities 3. Focus on prevention and early intervention 4. Enable people to have more choice and control and provide care closer to home as appropriate 5. Further develop / embed integrated approaches and services 		

	<p>6. Keep people safe from harm 7. Address Health inequalities</p> <p>Within each of the Strategic Objectives there are a number of Strategic Delivery Priorities related to the services identified in this direction, with further details regarding these contained in the ELHSCP Annual Delivery Plan.</p>
Compliance and performance monitoring	<p>Performance in relation to delivering this direction will be monitored by review of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National and local performance targets. • Milestones and performance measures outlined in East Lothian Annual Delivery Plan and reflected in the East Lothian HSCP Performance Framework. • Milestones and performance measures in the East Lothian Primary Care Improvement Plan. <p>NHS Lothian is required to provide performance information to the IJB in relation to performance against local and national targets and with respect to performance indicators contained in the East Lothian HSCP Performance Framework.</p> <p>NHS Lothian is also required to provide financial analysis, budgetary control, and monitoring reports as and when requested by the IJB. These reports should set out the financial position and outturn forecast against budget allocations by the IJB to NHS Lothian with respect to delivering integrated health services.</p>

NHS delivery of hosted services – ref DC.2	
Date direction issued by IJB / updates	<p>Initial direction: 9/11/2023</p> <p>Updates to direction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 27/06/24 • 26/06/25 (current direction)
Direction to	NHS Lothian
Services / functions covered	<p>This direction covers services provided as part of a single Lothian-wide service, referred to as ‘hosted services’ and managed on a pan-Lothian level by other NHS Lothian management teams. These services are outlined in East Lothian IJB’s Integration Scheme and are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Dental Service • Clinical Psychology • Podiatry • Mental Health (inpatient and psychiatric rehabilitation) • Sexual & Reproductive Health • Dietetics • Art Therapy • Adults with Complex and Exceptional Needs • SMART Centre • Hospices and Palliative Care • Pulmonary Rehabilitation • Community Equipment Loan Service • Continence • Rehabilitation Medicine
Full text of direction	<p>NHS Lothian is directed to continue the provision of the services listed within current budgets detailed below and in accordance with any statutory / regulatory obligations where applicable and aiming to meet both national and local targets. This includes reflecting Best Value as defined by the Local Government in Scotland Act 2023 and further detailed in the 2020 revised statutory guidance in relation to Best Value.</p> <p>Service development and delivery should be in line with East Lothian IJB’s Strategic Objectives and Strategic Delivery Priorities as laid out in its Strategic Plan for 2022-2025.</p>

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Budget allocation from IJB to carry out direction	<p>The indicative budget for delivery is £17,455,000. The table below provides a breakdown for broad service areas. NHS Lothian have agreed that the IJB’s share of any additional funds received during the financial year for Pay Awards will be made available to the IJB.</p> <table><tr><th></th><th>Indicative Budget - £000’s</th><th>Notes</th></tr><tr><td>Public Dental Service</td><td>1,350</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Clinical Psychology</td><td>1,446</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Podiatry</td><td>2,030</td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Mental Health (inpatient and psychiatric rehabilitation)</td><td>4,363</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>Sexual & Reproductive Health</td><td>1,135</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Dietetics</td><td></td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Art Therapy</td><td></td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Adults with Complex and Exceptional Needs</td><td>227</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>SMART Centre</td><td></td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>Hospices and Palliative Care</td><td>626</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Pulmonary Rehabilitation</td><td></td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>Community Equipment Loan Service</td><td>656</td><td></td></tr></table>		Indicative Budget - £000’s	Notes	Public Dental Service	1,350		Clinical Psychology	1,446		Podiatry	2,030	1	Mental Health (inpatient and psychiatric rehabilitation)	4,363	2	Sexual & Reproductive Health	1,135		Dietetics		1	Art Therapy		1	Adults with Complex and Exceptional Needs	227		SMART Centre		3	Hospices and Palliative Care	626		Pulmonary Rehabilitation		3	Community Equipment Loan Service	656	
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	Rehabilitation Medicine	1,210	
	Other	4,412	4
	Total	17,455	
	<p>Notes</p> <p>1 Podiatry, Dietetics and Art Therapy are included in this budget.</p> <p>2 This also includes the budget for in-patient Learning Disability Services.</p> <p>3 These services are included in 'Other' below.</p> <p>4 'Other' also includes the budget for LUCS (£1.8m) and for the treatment of any East Lothian patient outwith NHS Lothian (£0.789m).</p>		
Alignment with IJB Strategic Objectives / Delivery Priorities	<p>This direction relates to the following Strategic Objectives outlined in the IJB Strategic Plan:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop services that are sustainable and proportionate to need 2. Deliver new models of community provision, working collaboratively with communities 3. Focus on prevention and early intervention 4. Enable people to have more choice and control and provide care closer to home as appropriate 5. Further develop / embed integrated approaches and services 6. Keep people safe from harm 7. Address Health inequalities <p>Within each of the Strategic Objectives there are a number of Strategic Delivery Priorities related to the services identified in this direction, with further details regarding these contained in the ELHSCP Annual Delivery Plan.</p>		

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NHS Lothian delivery of set-aside services – ref DC.3	
Date direction issued by IJB / updates	<p>Initial direction: 9/11/2023</p> <p>Updates to direction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 27/06/24 • 26/06/25 (current direction)
Direction to	NHS Lothian
Services / functions covered	<p>This direction covers services provided under set-aside arrangements whereby NHS Lothian delivers delegated functions based in large hospitals on behalf of IJBs. These services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accident and Emergency and Combined Assessment • General Medicine • Geriatric Medicine • Rehabilitation Medicine • Respiratory Medicine • Hospital based Palliative Care
Full text of direction	<p>NHS Lothian is directed to continue the provision of the services listed within current budgets detailed below and in accordance with any statutory / regulatory obligations where applicable and aiming to meet both national and local targets. This includes reflecting Best Value as defined by the Local Government in Scotland Act 2023 and further detailed in the 2020 revised statutory guidance in relation to Best Value.</p> <p>Services in the list above may be the subject of additional directions where required in response to changing circumstances, including in response to service reviews, transformation programmes, strategic developments, or financial / budget changes.</p>

Link to relevant IJB report	East Lothian IJB Strategic Plan 2022-25																													
Budget allocation from IJB to carry out direction	<p>The indicative budget is £21,934,000. The table below provides a breakdown for broad service areas. NHS Lothian have agreed that the IJB’s share of any additional funds received during the financial year for Pay Awards will be made available to the IJB.</p> <table><tr><th></th><th>Indicative Budget - £000’s</th><th>Notes</th></tr><tr><td>Accident and Emergency and Combined Assessment</td><td>3,199</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>General Medicine</td><td>8,048</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Geriatric Medicine</td><td>4,262</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Rehabilitation Medicine</td><td>460</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Respiratory Medicine</td><td>1,632</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Hospital based Palliative Care</td><td></td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Other</td><td>4,334</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>21,936</td><td></td></tr></table> <p>Notes</p> <p>1 Hospital Based Palliative Care is included in ‘Other’ below.</p> <p>2 ‘Other’ also includes Diabetes and Endocrinology and Therapy Services.</p>				Indicative Budget - £000’s	Notes	Accident and Emergency and Combined Assessment	3,199		General Medicine	8,048		Geriatric Medicine	4,262		Rehabilitation Medicine	460		Respiratory Medicine	1,632		Hospital based Palliative Care		1	Other	4,334	2	Total	21,936	
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East Lothian Council delivery of social work and social care services – ref DC.4	
Date direction issued by IJB / updates	Initial direction: 9/11/2023 Updates to direction: 27/06/24 26/06/25 (current direction)
Direction to	East Lothian Council
Services / functions covered	<p>This direction covers social work and social care functions delegated to East Lothian IJB as required by the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 and outlined in East Lothian IJB's Integration Scheme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social work services for adults and older people • Services and support for adults with physical disabilities and learning disabilities • Mental health services • Drug and alcohol services • Adult protection and domestic abuse • Carers support services • Community care assessment teams • Support services • Care home services • Adult placement services • Health improvement services • Aspects of housing support, including aids and adaptations • Day services • Local area co-ordination • Respite provision • Occupational therapy services • Re-ablement services, equipment, and telecare • Criminal Justice Social Work services including youth justice
Full text of direction	East Lothian Council is directed to continue the provision of the services listed within current budgets detailed below and in accordance with any statutory / regulatory obligations where applicable and aiming to meet both national and local targets. This includes reflecting Best Value as defined by the Local Government in Scotland Act 2023 and further detailed in the 2020 revised statutory guidance in relation to Best Value.

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East Lothian IJB Specific Directions for 2024-25

Activity to Support Improvements to Unscheduled Care Performance – Ref D21.	
Date direction issued by IJB	19 th December 2024.
Direction to	East Lothian Council and NHS Lothian.
Does this supersede, amend, or cancel a previous direction?	This is a new direction.
Services / functions covered	<p>IJB delegated services / functions covered by this direction are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East Lothian Community Hospital • Hospital to Home • Adult Social Work • East Lothian Rehabilitation Service (ELRS) • Discharge to Assess
Full text of direction	<p>NHS Lothian and East Lothian Council are directed to carry out the activity required to transform services as detailed in the ‘Unscheduled Care System Improvement RIE Final Proposal’ as funded by the Scottish Government as part of its budget announcement in December 2024.</p> <p>East Lothian deliverables supported by this funding are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased care capacity for Hospital to Home. • Creation of a Single Point of Contact targeting prevention of attendance and admissions at RIE. • Increased Social Worker and Community Care Worker capacity to support assessment over 7 days at the RIE front door. • Increased Allied Health Professional (AHP) capacity to support 7-day service at the RIE front door.

Link to relevant IJB report and background papers	‘Planned Improvements to Unscheduled Care Programme’ – report to East Lothian IJB, 19 th December 2024.
Budget allocation from IJB to carry out direction	<p>£2.7 million allocated to East Lothian in 2024/25 for 2025/26. See linked report (above) for details of agreed funding allocation by service / function.</p> <p>The Scottish Government has indicated that funding will be recurring beyond 2025/26. This direction will be updated once details of further funding are available.</p>
Which IJB Strategic Objectives / Delivery Priorities does the direction contribute to?	<p>Strategic Objective 1 – Develop services that are sustainable and proportionate to need.</p> <p>Strategic Objective 4 – Enable people to have more choice and provide care closer to home.</p> <p>Strategic Objective 5 – Further develop and embed integrated approaches and services.</p>
Progress measures and timescales	<p>Planned timescales and performance reporting are to be agreed with partners and documented accordingly. Progress reporting should include activity data related to the services detailed above, along with data showing progress in relation to the following programme objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reducing Attendances • Reducing Admissions • Managing Bed Occupancy • Reducing Length of Stay <p>This should include reporting against the key performance measures contained in the Unscheduled Care Measurement Framework.</p>

Title / Ref	Direction to	Full text of direction	Budget (if applicable)	Compliance and Monitoring
East Lothian Workforce Plan 2022-25 – Ref D19a	NHS Lothian / East Lothian Council	NHS Lothian and East Lothian Council are directed to work collaboratively to support delivery of the objectives outlined in the 2025-28 East Lothian Health and Social Care Partnership Workforce Plan and associated actions within the related Action Plan. The Workforce Plan is reviewed and updated as needed on an annual basis – this direction should be read in relation to the most recent iteration of the Plan. (Updated 26/06/25)	Not applicable.	Performance in relation to action plan to be monitored and reported annually to the IJB.
Carers Strategy - Ref D14a	NHS Lothian / East Lothian Council	NHS Lothian and East Lothian Council to support the delivery of the outcomes contained in the East Lothian Carers Strategy (2023-26) and the associated Action Plan in order to meet the needs of both adult and young carers. (Revised October 2023)	£1.56 million	Performance in relation to action plan to be monitored and reported annually to the IJB.
Phase 2 Royal Edinburgh – Ref D04b	NHS Lothian	NHS Lothian is directed to support collaborative work across services to develop new models and pathways for community based mental health provision, specifically with regards to mental health rehabilitation and low secure mental health provision in community settings. This should reflect the outcomes of the bed based review, and the continuation of activity aimed at bringing East Lothian’s mental health acute bed use within the allocated bed capacity.	To be confirmed when applicable as development takes place.	Performance in relation to local targets to be reported to IJB, including bed occupancy rates, along with progress reporting on the development of service models (reflecting delivery priorities outlined in the HSCP Annual Delivery Plan).

		(Revised October 2023)		
Primary Care Premises and Infrastructure – Ref D10j	NHS Lothian / East Lothian Council	<p>NHS Lothian and East Lothian Council to support planning, development, and investment in appropriate infrastructure to ensure the sustainable delivery of community and primary care health services to meet the needs of the current and projected East Lothian population. This direction includes premises, digital infrastructure, and travel and transport provision.</p> <p>(Revised October 2023)</p>	To be confirmed when applicable as development takes place.	Performance in relation to local targets to be reported to IJB on request, along with progress reporting on key developments in primary care (reflecting delivery priorities outlined in the HSCP Annual Delivery Plan).
Mental Health Triage – Ref D15c	NHS Lothian / East Lothian Council	<p>NHS Lothian and East Lothian Council to work together to further develop Mental Health services across primary and secondary care. This should include the continuation of collaborative work to refine and streamline access to services and establish a clear interface between primary, secondary care and the third sector, and ongoing inclusion and development of the clinical decision making role within the CWIC Mental Health service and rollout of the Distress Brief Intervention service.</p> <p>Activity should also include specific collaboration to improve access to services and the development of pathways for people with co-occurring drug / alcohol and mental health difficulties to enable them to receive mental health support and drug / alcohol support concurrently. Development should</p>	To be confirmed.	Performance in relation to national and local targets to be reported to IJB, including performance against Medication Assisted Treatment Standards, along with progress reporting on key service developments (reflecting delivery priorities outlined in the HSCP Annual Delivery Plan).

		<p>be in line with requirements outlined in Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Standard 9.</p> <p>(Revised October 2023)</p>		
<p>Substance Misuse Services – Ref D15k</p>	<p>NHS Lothian / East Lothian Council</p>	<p>NHS Lothian and East Lothian Council are directed to work collaboratively with Midlothian and East Lothian Drug and Alcohol Partnership (MELDAP) and third sector providers and to further develop and improve the multi-agency approach in relation to access to alcohol and drug support services. Development should be in accordance with statutory / regulatory requirements where applicable and aiming to meet both local and national targets, including MAT (Medication Assisted Treatment) Standards.</p> <p>(Revised October 2023)</p>	<p>Included within community mental health budget.</p>	<p>Performance in relation to national and local targets to be reported to IJB, including performance against Medication Assisted Treatment Standards. Performance updates from MELDAP also to be brought to the IJB on a regular basis (timing to be confirmed).</p>
<p>Housing, Health and Social Care – Ref D18i</p>	<p>East Lothian Council</p>	<p>East Lothian Council is directed to support the delivery of the shared outcomes identified in the East Lothian Housing Contribution Statement (2024-2029) by working collaboratively with colleagues through the East Lothian Housing and Health and Social Care Partnership Delivery Group.</p> <p>(Introduced 26/06/25)</p>	<p>Not applicable.</p>	<p>Performance in relation to delivery of the shared outcomes identified in the Housing Contribution Statement to be monitored by the Housing and Health and Social Care Partnership Delivery Group and reported to the Strategic Planning Group, with escalation to the IJB as required.</p>