

IJB9. Falkirk Community Hospital Update

The Integration Joint Board considered a report by the Head of Integration which provided an update on: upgrading works to Block 9; relocation of Musculo-Skeletal Outpatient Physiotherapy, and development of the Intermediate Care Facility and the master planning exercise for the site.

There was an opportunity to consider the whole Falkirk Community Hospital site as part of the Master Planning exercise, to refresh the community bed base model and develop a vision for 21st century health and social care in line with the Feeley review. This presented an opportunity for a full review of services that could be delivered from the site and to develop a robust business case to secure NHS capital funding. A considered approach to capital expenditure could then be reached. A strategic outcome would be available for supporting any Scottish Government capital opportunities.

Decision

The Integration Joint Board:-

- (1) noted the upgrading work carried out to date to modernise and upgrade FCH Block 9 and further improve fire safety measures within the inpatient units;**
- (2) noted the work to redeploy a number of staff to appropriate alternative positions within NHS Forth Valley on a temporary basis ahead of further planned building and development work;**
- (3) supported the NHS Forth Valley Board decision to pause further upgrading and structural work at FCH Block 9 whilst NHS Forth Valley and stakeholders undertook a wider Master Planning exercise for the FCH site, and**
- (4) agreed to incorporate the development of a new build intermediate care facility into the Master Planning review of the entire site.**