

Integrated Care Board

Date of meeting	22 May 2025
Title of paper	Report concerning matters considered in Private Board meetings held between 19 March 2025 – 24 April 2025 (inclusive)
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Confidential	No

Executive summary

In line with the ICB's Standing Orders, the Board conducts its meetings in public.

The Standing Orders make provision at paragraph 4.11.2 for the board to meet and discuss certain matters in private. The Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, section 1 (2) provides the legal basis for such private board meetings to ensure that matters under consideration are not prejudicial to the public interest in that they do not cause undue harm or influence the public unfairly.

In accordance with the above, the board has met in private on three occasions between 19 March and 24 April 2025 (inclusive).

This report is a standing agenda item, for the purposes of transparency and accountability and sets out the matters that the Board considered during those private meetings.

Recommendations

The board is requested to:

- Note the contents of the report which provides a summary of the key matters considered by the board at meetings held in private between 19 March and 24 April 2025.

Which Strategic Objective/s does the report relate to:			Tick
SO1	Improve quality, including safety, clinical outcomes, and patient experience		✓
SO2	To equalise opportunities and clinical outcomes across the area		✓
SO3	Make working in Lancashire and South Cumbria an attractive and desirable option for existing and potential employees		✓
SO4	Meet financial targets and deliver improved productivity		✓
SO5	Meet national and locally determined performance standards and targets		✓
SO6	To develop and implement ambitious, deliverable strategies		✓

Implications

	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Associated risks		✓		Outlined within the report

Are associated risks detailed on the ICB Risk Register?		✓		The management of the associated risks is detailed within the Board Assurance Framework (BAF-001, BAF-004, BAF-005)
Financial Implications		✓		Outlined within the report
Where paper has been discussed (list other committees/forums that have discussed this paper)				
Meeting	Dates		Outcomes	
Private Meetings of the ICB board	As outlined within the report		As outlined within the report	
Conflicts of interest associated with this report				
Not applicable				
Impact assessments				
	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Quality impact assessment completed			✓	Not required for the summary report
Equality impact assessment completed			✓	Not required for the summary report
Data privacy impact assessment completed			✓	Not required for the summary report

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Report to the Board concerning matters considered in Private Board Meetings: 19 March – 24 April 2025

1. Introduction

- 1.1. The purpose of this report is to present a summary of the key matters and items of business which have been reserved for discussion within the private board meetings of the Lancashire and South Cumbria (LSC) Integrated Care Board (ICB) during March and April 2025.
- 1.2. The ICB's Standing Orders make provision at paragraph 4.11.2 for the board to meet and discuss certain matters in private. The Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, section 1 (2) provides the legal basis for such private board meetings to ensure that matters under consideration are not prejudicial to the public interest in that they do not cause undue harm or influence the public unfairly.
- 1.3. In accordance with the above, the board has met in private on 3 occasions between 19 March and 24 April 2025.

2. Summary of key matters reserved for discussion in private board meetings

2.1. ICB Board meeting held in private on 19 March 2025

2.1.1. The Board:

- Received a report on the 2024/25 forecast outturn position at Month 11, and **approved** the draft high-level budgets for 2025/26, noting that work continued to develop robust delivery plans to close the gap, and the process to issue budgets to budget holders.
- **Noted** a report and updates of actions from the Improvement Assurance Groups (IAG) held in March 2025.
- **Considered** a progress update on 2025/26 Commissioning Intentions and noted the work underway to assess all options to close the planning gap, with commissioning intentions being integral to this process.
- **Noted** an update in relation to the Shaping Care Together programme

2.2. Extraordinary ICB Board Meeting held in private held on 26 March 2025

2.2.1 The Board:

- **Approved** arrangements for continued turnaround support, as part of the ICB and three of the Acute Trusts in the Integrated Care System being placed in NOF 4 and enforcement undertakings.
- **Approved** the LSC system 2025-26 draft operating plan submission and noted the position of the operational plan board assurance statement.

- **Considered** the ICB's financial plan submission, including **endorsing** proposals and plans to mitigate the financial risk.
- **Noted** an update in relation to Commissioning Intentions 2025-26
- **Noted** a task and finish group had been established to oversee the reconfiguration of the ICB to deliver the required reduction in running and programme costs.

2.3 **Part 2 meeting held in private on 24 April 2025**

2.3.1 The Board

- **Approved** a GP Local Enhanced Services (LES) consistent commissioning proposal.
- **Noted** a report in relation to All Age Continuing Care Turnaround Arrangement and action plan and noted an alert from the Audit Committee meeting held on 27 March 2025 in relation to an internal audit of AACC and a limited assurance report.
- **Considered** the current position in relation to the 2025/26 QIPP assumptions plan position, with agreement to receive an update at the Board on 22 May 2025.
- **Considered** an update on the approach for delivering 25/26 Commissioning Intentions, and progress on the delivery model and noted the process for concluding contracting issues and agreed actions for notification to providers.
- **Noted** the early outcomes of a Community Services Baseline Assessment and Better Care Fund Review.
- **Noted** a status update in respect of the Improvement and Assurance group (IAG) actions.
- **Received** an update in relation to the national announcement in early March for a 50% reduction to ICBs running cost and programme cost reduction.

3. **Recommendations**

3.1 The board is asked to:

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