

# EADP executive Meeting 1st November 2022

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| **Present** |
| Moira Pringle | CHAIR - Head of Strategic Planning Finance HSCP |
| Adele Hill | SUNE |
| Victoria Kerr | Sector Manager (Acting) Communities and Families |
| Steven McCann | Scottish Prison Service, HMP Edinburgh  |
| Angela Dixon | REAS |
| Patricia Burns | Locality Manager, Substance use and Mental health, EH&SCP |
| Rose Howley | Chief Social Work Officer |

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| **In Attendance** |
| Jim Sherval | Specialist in Public Health. NHSL |
| Carey Fuller | Acting Senior Manager, Criminal Justice |
| David Williams | Programme Manager EADP |
| Carys Moodie | Business Development Officer EADP |
| Lorna Watt | Change and Delivery Officer EADP |
| Neil Stewart | Planning and Commissioning Officer EADP |

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| **Apologies** |
| Sam Ainslie | Police Scotland |
| Tony Duncan | IJB |
| Shirley McLaren | Community Safety |
| David Abernathy | HMPE |
| Angela Voulgari | Safe and together |
| John Ferrer | CEC/ S&SC |

1. **Matters Arising from previous meeting (September 2022)**

None

**2(A)Finance Update - MP**

**ACTION**

**2(B) Non-recurring spending plan – DW**

**ACTION**

**3(A) Prevention and early intervention – NS**

Presentation on the first deep dive report into an area of strategy focussed on Prevention and Early Intervention.

The report didn’t touch on ABIs and Licensing which are covered separately.

Highlights from the report:

* Young Peoples Substance Use Services (YPSUS) comprise, low threshold engagement (Crew), support for young people (The Junction and Circle) and specialist nurse treatment and support (ASUS).
* All services show significant positive improvements for young people engaging with them across an agreed set of Shanarri indicators.
* Young people present with a wide range of complex issues including mental health, sexual health, relationships etc. requiring longer term flexible support
* The range of substances used is significantly different from adult patterns of use and there is current concern about use of Ketamine
* Key outcomes: Reduction/stopping substance abuse, improved mental and physical health, improved engagement in education, increased confidence, improved family and social relationships and better engagement in their community.
* The junction offer a programme of drug education in 3 primary schools and 1 secondary school which is comprehensive and well received.

EADP priority areas:

* Need to develop funding plan for young people’s services
* Develop clear approach to education of young people linking with other areas including sexual health
* Improve support for Looked After young people
* Plan for transition to adult services with a focus on where the substances used are different

**ACTION**

* Continue development of Children, Young People and Families Collaborative
* Work with partners on prevention strategy for young people
* Engage with looked after children’s services and provide substance use services to young people



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**3(B) Public health: responding to the Licensing Board consultation – Jim Sherval**

Every 5 years Edinburgh licencing board produce a new licencing policy. This is strategically important to the ADP due to the links between the affordability, availability and acceptability of alcohol and the levels of alcohol related harm. The most strategically salient element of the policy is the board’s position on overprovision of alcohol outlets (the board has some power to limit the number and type of licensed premises on the basis that greater density of outlets selling alcohol is known to increase levels of alcohol related harm).

The board is currently consulting on their policy. Phase 1 closes on Dec 20th. NHSL Public health are the lead partner co-ordinating a response to the consultation

 **ACTION**

**NHSL PH to make an initial submission arguing that the board’s policy should include strong action to address overprovision.**

**NHSL PH to co-ordinate the response to the next phase of the consultation on behalf of the ADP**

**4(A) Residential rehab update –Angela Dixon/REAS**

The Scottish Government has directed that greater numbers of people will go through residential rehab and that access and uptake should be improved. Funding has been allocated to the EADP (£418k pa) and the local service, Lothian and Edinburgh Abstinence Project (LEAP) has secured a national grant of £624k per annum until 2025/26. In total, funding for LEAP and the associated Ritson Clinic will be expanded by £1.1m per annum and will be expected to deliver:

* Increased capacity in Ritson Clinic by 50% (8 beds to 12 beds)
* Increased capacity at LEAP by 40% (20 places to 28 places)’. Allowing 112+ residential treatment episodes per year in Lothian
* Allowing 600+ places over the period of the grant
* Increased access for vulnerable groups
* Removal of barriers to treatment
* Improved quality of aftercare provision
* Allowing groundwork for a more ambitious East of Scotland Regional approach

There are two risks for to implementation:

1. Currently, numbers entering rehab from Edinburgh area are falling because of delays in assessment.

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| Number of funded admissions to Residential rehabilitation 2021-present (Edinburgh only) |
|  | 2021-22 | 2022-23 |
|  | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 | Q2 |
| Total placements | 15 | 17 | 9 | 16 | 11 | 8 |
| of which LEAP | 11 | 15 | 9 | 12 | 8 | 8 |
| of which non-LEAP | 4 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 0 |

A remedial plan, involving additional investment and improved assessment processes, has been put in place and increased numbers are expected to be admitted to rehab in q4.

1. Accommodation for those undertaking the LEAP programme will be limited when the current unit (Firhill) returns to its former use (in April 2023)

 **ACTION**

1. H&SCP, with ADP and REAS, to develop plan for reducing waiting times for assessment and increasing numbers entering the waiting list for LEAP
2. EADP and REAS to identify alternative accommodation for those undertaking the LEAP programme.

**4(B) MAT Standards and treatment target plan – EADP/EHSCP Implementation progress**

**MAT (Medication Assisted Treatment) standards and** [**Treatment target**](https://www.gov.scot/binaries/content/documents/govscot/publications/correspondence/2022/03/substance-use-treatment-target-letter-minister-drugs-policy/documents/substance-use-treatment-target-letter-integrated-authorities-alcohol-drug-partnerships/substance-use-treatment-target-letter-integrated-authorities-alcohol-drug-partnerships/govscot%3Adocument/substance-use-treatment-target-letter-integrated-authorities-alcohol-drug-partnerships.pdf) **for drug users**

The MAT standards are nationally set standards for the speed, capacity and quality of treatment for drug users. They have been developed as part of the response to drug deaths, and it is expected that areas will embed standards 1 to 5 by April 2023.

The key current risks to delivery focus on the lack of progress towards advertising NHS posts which will now not be filled in time to open the clinics and achieve the standards. In light of the fact that the opening of the clinic will be delayed if we wait for recruitment to have been completed, the H&SCP, with agreement and support from REAS and the vol sec, are proposing to staff the clinic in the interim by redirecting existing staff. This would enable:

• Rapid titration of those currently awaiting treatment

• Three morning a week drop in, same day access for new patients by end January 2023 and

• Five morning a week drop in, same day access for new patients by end March 2023

This falls behind our expectations but is agreed to offer the best pathway to full compliance.

**Actions:**

**H&SCP to implement remedial plan and open the titration clinic**

**EADP officers to provide ongoing reporting to the Exec and SG.**

**4(C) - Progress with peer research – LW**

Presentation carried out by LW. MAT Standards require peer researchers to gather qualitative evidence to inform service delivery. This is being progressed within timeframes and ahead of other areas in Scotland. Peer Researcher interviews are actively underway as outlined in presentation. LW to keep EADP Exec updated with on-going progress.



**4(D) - Drug consumption room feasibility study - DW**

DW provided an update from the decision at the previous meeting. Key actions have included: formation of a steering group for the work, chaired by NHS PH; a clear procurement approach agreed; initial report to the P&S committee where the plan was well received by all parties.

**Action**

DW to circulate minutes of steering group meeting.

**8. AOCB**

**DONM** – 7th February 2023 3-5pm