Introduction

This issue brings your information on Moving Forward Together staff engagement events and a message from Jane Grant, Chief Executive on Financial Planning for 2018/19.

Moving Forward Together staff engagement event

The way health and social care services in Greater Glasgow and Clyde are provided is changing.

If you live in East Dunbartonshire, East Renfrewshire, Glasgow, Inverclyde, Renfrewshire or West Dunbartonshire or if you work within health and social care services in these areas, then you may be affected by this.

You are invited to join us for a session to find out more about Moving Forward Together and what it means for you.

At the session, you’ll be given details of the programme and be asked for your views on how your service might develop and take advantage of innovation and technology in the future.

Places will be offered on a first-come, first served basis. Open to all staff. Click here for more details.

Message from Jane Grant, Chief Executive

Financial Planning for 2018/19

Despite an increased financial allocation from the Scottish Government, our current forecast is that we face a challenge of a £90 million gap in our budget for 2018/19.

We have a good track record of identifying new and improved ways of working and of reducing duplication and waste.

The suggestions submitted by many of you in the recent ‘Small Change Matters’ campaign show that there’s a lot more that we can do to improve further.

My senior team and I are currently working with directors, clinical leads and our staff partners across our acute services, corporate departments and partnerships to identify savings schemes for next year.

We want to work with the whole organisation to share and explore ideas where you believe changes could be made for the better.
A small team of staff has been set up to give some dedicated resource and provide project management input to scope out the best of the ideas that come from you and help make them happen. They'll also assist directors and other budget-holders to identify and deliver cash releasing efficiency schemes (CRES) plans.

In the first few months, this new team will be supported by the expertise of external advisers with a proven track record of working with other health authorities to achieve long-term financial balance.

Over the coming weeks and months you'll hear more about the work being taken forward and how you all can play a part to achieve that.

I know that everyone is working very hard and that colleagues have already done much to contribute towards previous cost savings schemes but I ask for your continued support to help us deliver this programme and get us back to long term financial balance.

Are your contact details up-to-date? Click here to check