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HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE
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“Our vision is for a Scotland where people who are disabled or living with long term conditions and unpaid carers have a strong voice and enjoy their right to live well.”

Integrated Governance

Health and Social Care Integration has necessitated an enormous restructuring of governance and bureaucratic processes.

Majority of focus is on how to bring two very different institutions together and work collaboratively.

From a Third Sector perspective there have been a number of shortcomings in this process:

- Focus on NHS and councils has made it difficult for Third Sector to have meaningful input
- Sheer number of papers involved in decision making is a barrier to meaningful interrogation
- Up until recently not much emphasis on service redesign – more about joining up current services

Good Practice: TSI input into integrated workforce strategy



Future Opportunities

Beginning to be able to identify opportunities for meaningful service changes involving the Third Sector and strongly informed by the voices of lived experience.

Many areas are beginning to look into service redesign which has allowed Third Sector organisations to have meaningful input.

This has mostly come in the form of integrating Third Sector organisations into care pathways - for example, statutory requirement to signpost to local organisations for advice or support.

The inclusion of Public Representatives on IJBs offers a huge opportunity.



Realising Meaningful Integration

Still lots of challenges ahead.

- Many Third Sector organisations don't know how to feed into integrated structures
- Still an overwhelming amount of papers for meetings, often with little time to read them
- Public Representatives struggle to connect with the people they are representing
- People struggle to connect with the Public Representatives



So what now?

Support the Third Sector

Support Public Representatives

Third Sector:

- Build relationships within the Third Sector across partnerships
- ALLIANCE Health and Social Care Support Team
- Scottish Involvement Network
- Our Voice

Public Representatives:

- Build local networks to strengthen voice
- Build national network to help share and support good practice



Thank you



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