

Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) Statement

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Contract Uplifts

The Scottish Government provides additional funding to IJBs to meet the costs of uplifting contracts, however the funding provided for 23-24 does not fully meet the projected costs. This has happened in previous years and the shortfall accounts for c£4m of the IJB's budget gap.

It is proposed that where there are specific funding streams in place which are not part of baseline funding arrangements, that these funding streams pick up the additional cost pressure relating to contract uplifts from any identified slippage or non-committed funds. This includes Thrive, The Edinburgh Alcohol and Drug Partnership (EADP) and Carers funding. It is proposed that this is monitored throughout the year and that the contract uplift cost would only be applied to these funding streams where there is sufficient flexibility to do so without affecting any existing commitments. This is in line with the approach taken for other increased costs associated with these funding streams (eg pay awards).

After due consideration, it is identified that an Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) is not required for this change. This is in recognition of the fact that no existing plans or commitments would be affected and the proposals would only be taken forward should there be sufficient slippage to do so without impact.

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