

EAST AYRSHIRE

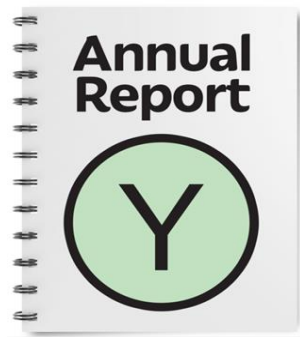
Health & Social Care
Partnership

Annual Performance Report

2025/26

Easy Read Version





This easy read document is about the East Ayrshire health and social care partnership's **annual performance report**.

This annual report is for **2025 to 2026**.



Important words in this document will be in **bold**.



What are health and social care partnership annual performance reports?



Health and social care partnerships were started so that local health and council services work better together.



A **performance report** shows how well an organisation is doing linked to goals.



A law called the **Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014** says that all health and social care partnerships must make a performance report **every year**.

Reporting for the year is between **1 April** until **31 March**.



The 2014 Act says **what information must be in** annual performance reports.

This includes:

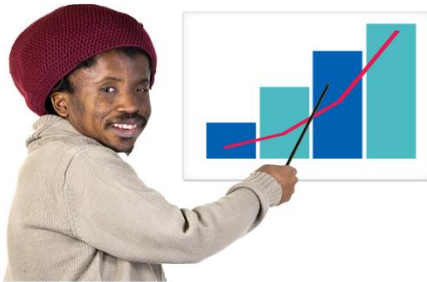


- a check on how well our work is going linked to the **goals of the health and social care partnership**
- a check on how well our work is going linked to the **national outcomes** for health, wellbeing, children and young people and justice.



Annual performance reports **must also include** information about:

- how the health and social care partnership **has used its resources**
- how well health and council services **have worked together**
- **important decisions** that have been made to achieve local and national goals
- **involving people** in how services are delivered in local areas
- what **is** and **is not working well**
- what the health and social care partnership wants to **achieve in the future**.



To demonstrate this, annual performance reports contain several types of information, including:

- local and national data
- examples of service delivery
- feedback from people
- financial information.

This annual performance report is linked to our **strategic plan**.

Our **strategic plan** is a document which sets out what we want to achieve for the people we serve.



The **integration joint board** makes **decisions** for the health and social care partnership. The East Ayrshire integration joint board includes people from:

- East Ayrshire Council
- National Health Service Ayrshire and Arran
- local service providers
- members of the public.



We need to make the best use of our money. Our budget shows the things that we need to buy and how much they cost.

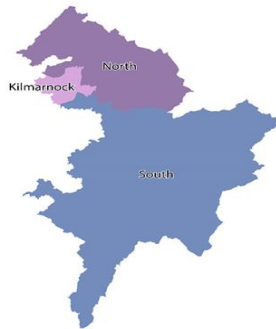
We watch our budget very closely. This helps us to deliver high quality and sustainable health and social care services.



121,480 people live in East Ayrshire.

The number of older people and people with long term health conditions living in East Ayrshire is increasing.

East Ayrshire is divided into 3 areas to plan local services. These are called **localities**.



The 3 localities are:

- Northern locality
- Kilmarnock locality
- Southern locality.



The East Ayrshire health and social care partnership annual performance report shows many things that we do well. It also shows things that we could do better.



We want to **work together with our communities to improve and sustain health, wellbeing, care and promote equity**. This is our vision.

Some of the things we have done over the last year to achieve this are below.

We helped people to live at home or in the community:



- **over 1,400 people** received a care at home service, with over 1.2 million visits made
- our intermediate care team **prevented** hospital admissions and supported quick **hospital discharges**
- our reablement team supported **174 people**, with most individuals not needing a care package following this intervention.



We supported our children and young people to have the best possible start in life over the last year:

- **9,456** children and families service referrals received
- our request for assistance team received **1,954** referrals
- our fostering service supported **77** children who needed a care arrangement.



We helped to tackle inequality:

- we gave local organisations money to help them to support people and communities facing health, social or financial challenges
- our out of hours social work team delivered vital services 365 days of the year.

We worked to make our services more effective and efficient:



- we carried out a number of service reviews to make them better
- our social care learning hub improved staff knowledge and skills
- improvements were made in how we use our social work information system.



Some of our strengths over the last year include:

- Our delayed discharge bed day rate was **144.7** (**155.8** across Scotland)
- **99%** of people started drug or alcohol treatment within 3 weeks (**target is 90%**)
- **73.3%** of adults receiving care or support rated it as excellent or good (**72.1%** across Scotland).

Some of our areas for improvement include:



- **55.9%** of people had a positive experience of general practice care (**70.7%** across Scotland)
- **54.8%** of adults supported at home said their services are well coordinated (**65.0%** across Scotland)
- Our emergency hospital admission rate increased by **4.9%**.



An **inspection** is when people point out what is good about a service and what could be better. Inspections help us to improve our services.

12 of our registered services were inspected by the care inspectorate in the last year, with an average grading of **4.0** being achieved across the inspection themes.



It is important to think about the future to ensure we meet the needs of people. We will work towards the **priorities** in our **strategic plan**.

We have faced big challenges in the past year, including limited money to spend on services and increasing demand for services.



These challenges will likely continue in the future. Various activities will help us to overcome these, including: our service improvement plans, strategic planning, actions to reduce spending and redesigning services.

This work will be shaped by feedback about our services and local performance data.



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