

# NHS Ayrshire & Arran



<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Ayrshire and Arran NHS Board</b>
<b>Meeting date:</b>	<b>Monday 3 February 2020</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Integrated Governance Committee meeting on 29 January 2020 report to NHS Board</b>
<b>Responsible Director:</b>	<b>John Burns, Chief Executive</b>
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## 1. Purpose

This is presented to the Board for: Discussion.

This paper relates to: Local policy to ensure good governance practice in reporting from board committees

This aligns to the NHS Scotland quality ambitions of Safe, Effective and Person Centred. Good governance practice supports the effective delivery of services across the organisation.

## 2. Report summary

### 2.1 Situation

This report provides information to Board Members on key issues discussed within the Governance Committee's remit, in order to provide assurance to the Board that those matters have been identified and are being addressed, where required.

### 2.2 Background

The Board Model Standing Orders advises that Board meeting papers will include the minutes of committee meetings which the relevant committee has approved. To ensure that there is no delay in reporting from committees this paper provides a timely update on key issues from committees.

### 2.3 Assessment

Key issues agreed by Committee are noted below. Identification of organisational risks, stakeholder considerations and other impacts were included in papers to the Committee.

- The Committee discussed the formal launch of the Caring for Ayrshire programme and the Informing, Engagement and Communication Plans. Members were assured by the pre-engagement to date and the plans to engage

more formally with our staff and our citizens and to raise awareness of the Caring for Ayrshire programme. The papers are on the Board agenda.

- The Internal audit plan was considered and there was discussion around timings on two areas in particular. Members were assured that these areas had been discussed at Corporate Management Team (CMT) and Directors were content with the timings proposed. Members were advised that CMT and Audit Committee had proposed changes to the draft presented and these were being considered by our Internal Auditors. Members supported the plan and the amendments advised. An updated plan would be submitted to Audit Committee in March for review and then submitted to the March Board meeting for approval.
- An update was given on the Corporate Governance improvement plan. Members were assured by the progress to date and that work is continuing on the three remaining actions. Members commended the work to deliver identified actions.

## **2.4 Recommendation**

The Board is asked to be aware of and discuss the key issues highlighted and receive assurance that issues are being addressed, where required.