

NHS Ayrshire & Arran



Meeting:	Ayrshire and Arran NHS Board
Meeting date:	Monday 25 May 2020
Title:	Audit Committee meeting on 13 May 2020 report to NHS Board
Responsible Director:	Derek Lindsay – Director of Finance
Report Author:	Michael Breen, Non-Executive Director/Committee Chair

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.

- The Chair noted that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the normal business of this meeting had been deferred to the meeting due to take place on 12 June, this included approval of the minute from the meeting which took place on 18 March.

- The requirement to hold this meeting was the consideration and approval of the audit review of the National Finance System which had to be circulated to all other Scottish Boards as part of their annual assurance process. The report was approved.
- The Chair asked Committee members to consider and approve the Audit Committee annual report. The report was approved for signature by the Chair prior to submission to the Board. The Chair noted that the Board would be asked to approve the revised Terms of Reference.

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.