NHS Ayrshire & Arran



Meeting: Ayrshire and Arran NHS Board

Meeting date: Monday 28 March 2022

Title: Integrated Governance Committee meeting on 7 February

2022 report to NHS Board

Responsible Director: Mrs Lesley Bowie, Board Chair

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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.

• Caring for Ayrshire Update – Committee members were assured of the progress undertaken with the Caring for Ayrshire Programme.

- Draft internal audit programme 2022/2023 governance route Committee members acknowledged that the timing and route of the draft audit plan was out of sync on this occasion due to the organisation's response to the pandemic in January when the Audit and Risk Committee was cancelled.
- Update on active governance from Board development session Committee members were advised that a Short Life Working Group had been established to review committee papers and provide a consistent approach to how data was used.

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.