

# NHS Ayrshire & Arran



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| <b>Meeting:</b>              | <b>Ayrshire and Arran NHS Board</b>   |
| <b>Meeting date:</b>         | <b>Monday 3 October 2022</b>  |
| <b>Title:</b>                | <b>Performance Governance Committee meeting on 1 September 2022 report to NHS Board</b> |
| <b>Responsible Director:</b> | <b>Derek Lindsay, Director of Finance</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.

- A report was presented to the committee to advise of the increasing expenditure on the New Medicines year on year related to new high cost, low volume medications. In 2022/23, the Scottish Government have allocated £7.2 million to

the Board for these with expected spend of £20 million resulting in a large overspend in this fund.

- The committee received a letter from the Chief Operating Officer detailing new planned care targets being put into place across Scotland in order to eliminate long waits. Concerns were raised that this would add pressure to an already very pressurised system, targets would not be able to be met and staff morale would be affected as a result of this.
- The draft Three Year Financial Plan was presented to set out the financial strategy for 2022/23 through to 2024/25. The committee supported the financial plan and the use of the nine essential building blocks as the most appropriate approach to moving towards financial sustainability.

## **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.