NHS Ayrshire & Arran



Meeting: Ayrshire and Arran NHS Board

Meeting date: Monday 28 November 2022

Title: Information Governance Committee meeting on

14 November 2022 - report to NHS Board

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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 received an update on Cyber Security and key areas of activity undertaken by the IT Security Team over the last three months. Committee members welcomed the additional detail provided on the control measures in place to monitor and manage viruses and vulnerabilities which remain consistently high.

- Committee members received a report on Health Records activities which fall
 under the remit of Information Governance. The Committee noted that these
 reports focused on operational matters that were previously presented to the
 Information Governance Operational Delivery Group (IGODG) before it was
 stood down. Committee members agreed that now that the group has been
 reinstated, future reporting should resume through the IGODG, with exception
 reporting to the Committee as required.
- The Committee discussed updates on Information Governance activity related to the Information Commissioner's Office audit; an update on Information Asset Register and the Security Incident report; as well as the Information Governance Risk Register report. There were no major concerns arising from these reports.

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.