

NHS Ayrshire & Arran



Meeting:	Ayrshire and Arran NHS Board
Meeting date:	Monday 14 August 2023
Title:	Integrated Governance Committee meeting on 31 July 2023 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 items 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 items from committees.

2.3 Assessment

Key items 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 (CFA) and Community Wealth Building - Committee received the CFA report which provided an update on the CFA workstreams and a summary of the key programmes of work. Members noted that a whole system

plan and associated infrastructure plan 2023/24 was being developed. This would be submitted to a future Integrated Governance Committee meeting and the NHS Board in 2024. An update on CFA Engagement and Community Wealth Building was also received. Members were assured by the content of these reports and planned regular reporting to the Integrated Governance Committee and Corporate Management Team.

- Digital strategy and reform - Committee received an update on key elements of the reform plan and how we are improving our access to modern systems and use of data. Committee welcomed the report and were assured by the progress reported on the key deliverables of the Digital Reform Plan to date.
- Strategic climate emergency and sustainability – Committee were assured by the progress in delivering the Sustainability Development Action Plan to end of June 2023 and noted that progress would be reported to this Committee and Corporate Management Team (CMT) on a six monthly basis.
- Corporate Parenting Promise - Committee discussed the development and implementation of the Corporate Parenting Promise as our formal cross-cutting strategy which will be progressed via 3 year action plans with specific measurable actions to ensure that NHS Ayrshire & Arran (NHSAA) fulfils its legal obligations as a Corporate Parent. Scrutiny of delivery of the action plans will now be applied through the Integrated Governance Committee rather than the Healthcare Governance Committee as our obligations as a Corporate Parent are whole-system and cut across all areas of governance. Committee endorsed the NHSAA Corporate Parenting Promise, Our Promise, and supported the strategy being submitted to the NHS Board for approval.
- Strategic risk register - Committee received an update on strategic risks assigned to Integrated Governance Committee and the work done by the Risk and Resilience Scrutiny and Assurance Group to review all strategic risks. Committee noted that one strategic risk had been moved from strategic to operational and were assured by the scrutiny and rigour that had been applied to reviewing the risks which fall under the governance remit of this committee.

2.4 Recommendation

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