

NHS Ayrshire & Arran



Meeting:	Ayrshire and Arran NHS Board
Meeting date:	Tuesday 21 May 2024
Title:	Information Governance Committee meeting on 29 April 2024 – Chair’s report to NHS Board
Responsible Director:	Ms Claire Burden, Chief Executive
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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.

- **Cyber security – NHS Dumfries & Galloway cyberattack** – Committee members received assurance that it was unlikely that a similar situation could arise in NHS Ayrshire & Arran due to systems and processes in place locally.

The Chief Executive reassured members that work was ongoing to address the areas of non-compliance identified through NSS recommendations, including identification of funding for a National Cyber Security Centre accredited cyber incident response provider.

- **Information Governance action plan** – the Committee noted the progress made in the plan and requested further detail with delivery and compliance timelines that would offer further assurance relating to the continuous improvements required to deliver the IG action plan.
- **NIS audit report** – Committee members welcomed the report and the positive progress made in 2023-2024, with NHSAA's compliance increasing from 73% to 87%. An NIS audit response and action plan has been requested for the Committee in September 2024, inclusive of delivery time lines, to enable members to monitor compliance in relation to controls in place and to be put in place.
- **Information Governance Committee annual report 2023-2024** – Committee members approved the annual report for onward submission to the NHS Board meeting on 21 May 2024.

2.4 Recommendation

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