

NHS Ayrshire & Arran



Meeting:	Ayrshire and Arran NHS Board
Meeting date:	Monday 2 December 2024
Title:	Performance Governance Committee meeting on 6 November 2024 report to NHS Board
Responsible Director:	Derek Lindsay, Director of Finance
Report Author:	Sheila Cowan, Committee Chair

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 items agreed by Committee are noted below. Identification of organisational risks, stakeholder considerations and other impacts were included in papers to the Committee.

- Members received the mid-year capital plan update, no risk was identified regarding the level of spend. A further update will be provided in January prior to the year-end position.

- The committee received the updated Strategic Risk Register for risks within the committee remit and assurance on the key mitigations of the risks. A recent audit was undertaken and a recommendation was made for reporting to be standardised across the board.
- The committee reviewed and scrutinised the month 6 financial management report and performance report. An overspend of £31.6m was reported which is higher than the budgeted deficit for this stage of the year however assurance was given by the Viridian work that this position will improve over the remainder of the year. Performance is improving however focus will continue on areas of concern as part of the deep dive work. An update was received on Cancer diagnostic targets.
- An opportunity was highlighted with regard to agenda for change reform. It is anticipated that this area will not be overspent and the committee was assured of the work taking place.
- Members reviewed the escalation self-assessment financial considerations and were assured of the process. It is anticipated that the work taking place with Viridian and the Executive Team will maintain the level three position from a financial perspective.

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.