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Title:	Board Activity Update
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1. Purpose

The purpose of this paper is to provide an update on the activities of the Board since the last Board meeting in February. Work has been undertaken to review the visibility of the activities of the Board, its members and the work of the Standing Committees. This paper has been developed to enable sharing these activities both internally within the Board and externally with our stakeholders.

2. Executive Summary

The paper summarises the following areas of activity:

- Board Development
- Board Seminars
- Board Standing Committees and Other meetings.
- Board Committee Visits

3. Recommendations

The Board is asked to note this update, increasing awareness of the breadth of activity underway.

4. Response Required

This paper is presented for awareness.

5. Impact Assessment

The impact of this paper on NHSGGC's corporate aims, approach to equality and diversity and environmental impact are assessed as follows:

- **Better Health** Positive impact
- **Better Care** Positive impact
- **Better Value** Positive impact
- **Better Workplace** Positive impact
- **Equality & Diversity** Positive impact
- **Environment** Positive impact

6. Engagement & Communications

The content of this paper was considered by the Chair and the Director of Corporate Services and Governance.

7. Governance Route

N.A

8. Date Prepared & Issued

Prepared on 13 June 2024

Issued on 18 June 2024

Board Activity Update April 2024

1. Board Briefing

The May Board Briefing was entitled '*NHSGGC Quality Strategy: Quality Everyone, Everywhere*'. The Board were assured that the strategy would build on the organisation's current strengths and there was recognition that improvements had been made over the period during, and since, the Covid-19 pandemic. Board Members were advised of the extensive stakeholder engagement that had taken place, and were invited to watch a video from the Accelerated Design Event (ADE) where members heard from a range of participants regarding their feedback on the strategy and upcoming implementation.

The Board also reviewed the Annual Delivery Plan and considered the Corporate Objectives 2024-27 and Operational Priorities 2024-25.

All above items are on the Board agenda for approval in June.

2. Board Standing Committees and Other meetings.

Since the last Board meeting on 30 April the following Standing Committees of the Board have met:

- Acute Services Committee 7 May
- Audit and Risk Committee 4 June
- Clinical and Care Governance Committee 4 June
- Finance Planning and Performance Committee 11 April
- Staff Governance Committee 27 May

Reports from the Committee Chairs are presented at every Board meeting.

IJB Leads Network

Along with the IJB Lead Reports that are shared with the Board on a routine basis, the NHS Board Leads on each of 6 IJBs meet on a quarterly basis with the Board Chair, Chief Executive, Director of Corporate Services and Board Secretary to discuss any upcoming challenges across the IJBs and ensure the Board remains updated with regards to IJB business. The most recent meeting took place on 10 June. Board members, all of whom come to the end of their tenure on June 30, took the opportunity to reflect on their time on the respective IJBs, noting changes in leadership moving forward and acknowledging a challenging year ahead. All individuals were extremely positive about their experience and the support received by the Executive Team, Chief Officers and fellow IJB members.

3. Board Member Visits

A series of Committee member visits are underway increasing visibility and engagement with frontline staff. The following detail summarises those undertaken since the last Board meeting.

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Staff Governance Committee - Radiotherapy Physics, Beatson

Four members of the Committee visited the Radiotherapy Physics Department on 10 May and were welcomed by the Director of Diagnostics, Ms Ann Traquair Smith, General Manager, Ms Antoinette Parr, and Radiotherapy Physics Lead, Mr Martin Glegg. Committee members were advised that Radiotherapy Physics provides a comprehensive clinical physics service to the Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre, which is one of the largest UK cancer treatment centres providing radiotherapy treatment for more than 7,000 patients per annum in the West of Scotland. The main base is at Gartnavel General Hospital, Glasgow with a Satellite Facility located at Monklands Hospital in Airdrie.

Committee members received a tour of the Level 0 facilities and control room while being introduced to Radiotherapy, Dosimetry and Engineering staff. They received an explanation of the water tank, and had the opportunity to have a discussion with the Dosimetric team regarding their role. In addition, they were also introduced to the Treatment Planning Staff and were able to discuss the service and impact on our patients.

Staff Governance Committee – West Glasgow Ambulatory Care Hospital HR Department (WGACH)

Three members of the Committee visited the WGACH HR Department on 5 June and were welcomed by the Head of Staff Experience, Mr Liam Spence. The Committee members were advised that the teams based at WGACH include the HR Support & Advice Unit, Recruitment Team, Staff Bank, Staff Experience and Occupational Health. Committee members had the opportunity to meet the team and also were also invited to be 'inducted' on to the staff bank to demonstrate the process of signing up.

During the visit, Committee members also received a tour of the Occupational Health facilities which was led by Lead Physiotherapist, Mr Richard Farquhar. Board members were advised of the support available to colleagues across the organisation and had a chance to have an informal discussion with the team.

Audit and Risk Committee – Leverndale

Five members of the Committee visited Leverndale Low Secure Unit on 18 June and were welcomed by the General Manager, Mr James Meade. Board members visited the Boulevard, Pre-Discharge ward which has a mix of male mental illness and learning disabilities patients. Members were advised that the ward operates on the Home-style model of care where the patient group are responsible for maintaining the cleanliness and hygiene both for themselves and their ward environment with no additional support from domestic services.

Board members further visited the Campsie Ward. These close supervision wards currently provide rehabilitation services for 9 males with a learning disability. Campsie House operates the home-style model of care where the patient group are responsible for maintaining the cleanliness and hygiene both for themselves and their ward environment with no additional support from domestic services as well as the preparation and cooking of their own meals. There is an emphasis on multi-disciplinary working both

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within the health setting, including Occupational Therapy and Psychology input and out with health, incorporating agencies including social work and social care providers.

Summary

Board members had the opportunity discuss issues and ask questions of all the Teams involved in the visits, with positive feedback being received across all of the Committee visits to date.

4. Recommendations

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