

NHS Board Meeting  
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**SUBJECT: CORPORATE GOVERNANCE BLUEPRINT  
& IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

**1. PURPOSE**

This paper is coming to the Board for noting.

For approval	<input type="checkbox"/>	For endorsement	<input type="checkbox"/>	To note	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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**2. ROUTE TO THE BOARD**

The paper has been:

Prepared	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Reviewed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Endorsed	<input type="checkbox"/>
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by the Board Secretary.

**3. SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES**

The NHS Scotland Corporate Governance Blueprint defines governance as the system by which organisations are directed and controlled and describes a three-tiered model that explains the functions of a governance system, the enablers and the support required to effectively deliver those functions.

In January 2019 the Board / CMT members who attend the Board meetings were invited to complete a self-assessment questionnaire, the result of which were discussed at the Board Development Session on 6 March 2019, and this resulted in the drafting of an Improvement Plan.

The draft Improvement Plan was shared with the Board at the March 2019 meeting, and comments were invited. A revised draft was circulated to Board Members for electronic sign off before being submitted to the Cabinet Secretary on 30 April 2019.

The Improvement Plan was noted at the May Board meeting and an update on progress is attached. Future versions will take account of the actions related to the Sturrock Report, where these have relevance.

**4. STRATEGIC CONTEXT**

This paper links to the following:

Corporate objectives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AOP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Government policy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Government directive	<input type="checkbox"/>	Statutory requirement	<input type="checkbox"/>	AHF/local policy	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urgent operational issue	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>		

## 5. CONTRIBUTION TO QUALITY

This paper aligns to the following elements of safety and quality improvement:

### *Three Quality Ambitions:*

Safe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Effective	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Person Centred	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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### *Six Quality Outcomes:*

Everyone has the best start in life and is able to live longer healthier lives; (Effective)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
People are able to live well at home or in the community; (Person Centred)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Everyone has a positive experience of healthcare; (Person Centred)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Staff feel supported and engaged; (Effective)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Healthcare is safe for every person, every time; (Safe)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Best use is made of available resources. (Effective)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## 6. MEASURES FOR IMPROVEMENT

These have been set out in the Improvement Plan.

## 7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There may be a requirement to fund some training, but wherever possible this will be managed from within existing budgets.

## 8. RISK ASSESSMENT/MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The significant risk is reputational if the Board does not meet the goals set out in the Improvement Plan.

## 9. FIT WITH BEST VALUE CRITERIA

This paper aligns to the following best value criteria:

Vision and leadership	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Effective partnerships	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Governance and accountability	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Use of resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Performance management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Equality	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sustainability Management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

## 10. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

N/A

## 11. CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT

The Improvement Plan progress report was subject to consultation with Board Directors.

## 12. ACTIONS FOR THE BOARD

The Board is asked to:

Approve	<input type="checkbox"/>	Endorse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Identify further actions	<input type="checkbox"/>
Note	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Accept the risk identified	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ask for a further report	<input type="checkbox"/>

## 13. FURTHER INFORMATION

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