

Lanarkshire NHS Board

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**Minute of Meeting of the Lanarkshire NHS Board
 held on Wednesday 26th June 2019 at 9.45am in the
 Board Room, NHS Lanarkshire**

- CHAIR:** Mrs N Mahal, Non Executive Director
- PRESENT:** Mrs L Ace, Director of Finance
 Mrs I Barkby, Director for Nurses, Midwives and Allied Health Professionals
 Dr J Burns, Medical Director
 Mr C Campbell, Chief Executive
 Mr G Docherty, Director of Public Health
 Councillor P Kelly, Non Executive Director
 Mr M Fuller, Non Executive Director
 Mrs M Lees, Chair, Area Clinical Forum
 Councillor J McGuigan, Non Executive Director
 Dr A Osborne, Non Executive Director
- IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr C Brown, Director of Communications
 Mr P Cannon, Board Secretary
 Ms H Knox, Director of Acute Services/Deputy Chief Executive
 Mr C Lauder, Director of Planning and Performance
 Mr R McGuffie, Acting Chief Officer, North Lanarkshire Health and Social Care Partnership
 Mr J White, Director of Human Resources
 Mr D Wilson, Director of Information and Digital Technology
- APOLOGIES:** Mr P Campbell, Non Executive Director
 Mrs L Macer, Employee Director
 Miss M Morris, Non Executive Director
 Mrs V de Souza, Director, South Lanarkshire Health and Social Care Partnership
- 2019/06/106 **WELCOME**
- Mrs. Mahal welcomed colleagues to the meeting.
- 2019/06/107 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**
- There were no declarations.
- 2019/06/108 **ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2018/19**
- The NHS Board considered the Annual Accounts for the year to 31st March 2019.

Mrs. Ace explained that the Annual Accounts for the year to 31st March 2019 were presented to the Board for approval and signing. She confirmed that the external audit of the accounts was complete, and that an unqualified audit opinion had been issued for the accounts. She also confirmed that the Audit Committee had reviewed the accounts earlier that morning, along with the Annual Reports from external and internal audit, and had endorsed the Annual Accounts for signing.

Mrs. Ace also added that the audited accounts confirmed the year-end position reported to the Board in May 2019. She advised that all three financial targets had been met.

THE BOARD:

1. Approved the draft Annual Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2019 for signing; and
2. Expressed appreciation to Mrs. Ace, Mr. Smith and the wider financial and management teams for their contribution to the satisfactory Annual Accounts outcome.

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STURROCK REPORT

The NHS Board considered a paper on the Sturrock Report in the form of a presentation and a draft response to Scottish Government.

Mr. White indicated that a return was to be submitted to the Scottish Government by Friday 28th June 2019 and suggested that the template presented to the Board be submitted. Mr. White reminded Board Members that this had been discussed at a Board Seminar in early June, and the issue had also been raised at the Area Partnership Forum, Area Clinical Forum and the Human Resources Forum.

Board Members thanked Mr. White for compiling the response and agreed that this should be submitted to the Scottish Government by 28th June 2019.

It was also acknowledged and highlighted by Mr. White that further consideration of the Sturrock Report would arise from the work of the National Taskforce, however the Board return at this point provided a useful baseline going forward.

Mr. White also indicated that he had been provided with a copy of the NHS Highland Action Plan which was benchmarked by colleagues in the HR Directorate who compiled the NHS Lanarkshire response for comparison and it was agreed to share the NHS Highland response in due course.

In response to a question from Mr. Moore, Mr. White confirmed that the confidential e-mail facility was in place in NHS Lanarkshire. Dr. Osborne also asked if an additional telephone hotline was available for staff to use and Mr. White confirmed that this was the case. Mr. White also alluded to the other avenues which staff could use in relation to raising concerns, either through professional bodies, or through line management. Mr.

Fuller asked if the concerns raised by Board Members about the relationship between Health Boards and the Scottish Government was included within the template, and Mr. White indicated that this was highlighted in the covering letter.

Mr. White also alluded to the intention of Scottish Government to appoint a Whistleblowing Non Executive Director to each NHS Board, and agreed to circulate further information about this process when this was received.

THE BOARD:

1. Approved the template to be submitted in relation to the Sturrock Report by 28th June 2019; and
2. Agreed to receive regular progress reports on the Action Plan and any initiatives arising from the National Taskforce, or the National Summit being arranged.

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ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

i) Industrial Action by ISS Staff at University Hospital Hairmyres

Mr. Calum Campbell indicated that the ballot of GMB members proposing strike action will close on 27th June 2019 and the results would be known in the days following. It was noted that should industrial action be approved by the members that a 14 day notice period was required, and that industrial action should take place within 6 months of the vote itself.

It was noted that Mr. Calum Campbell and Mr. White and the University Hospital Hairmyres Site Director, Mr. Coulthard, were in regular dialogue with Prospect, who sub contract with ISS. Mr. Campbell confirmed that the Health Board remained responsible for patient care, however the Board had been clear with Prospect that they needed to put in place Business Continuity Plans.

THE BOARD:

1. Noted the position and agreed to receive regular updates in relation to potential industrial action at University Hospital, Hairmyres.

ii) University Hospital Monklands Pest Control

Mr. Calum Campbell reported that in the past week a number of staff and patients had been caused gastrointestinal upset which was thought to have been caused by sewage flies, although yet not proven, either as a result of the recent pest infestation, or the actions of the pest control company in clearing the pipes and the resultant fumes. It was also noted that some Emergency Department capacity had been lost for a short period, and there had been an adverse impact on performance. It was also noted that Mr. Campbell had asked for a Significant Adverse Event Review to be undertaken and for the results of this review to be presented to the

Healthcare Quality Assurance & Improvement Committee in due course.

THE BOARD:

1. Noted the pest infestation and the impact on staff, patients and unscheduled care performance; and.
2. Endorsed the actions taken by the Chief Executive to commission an SAER which will be presented to the Healthcare Quality Assurance and Improvement Committee in due course.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 28th August 2019, at 9.30am.

The meeting ended at 10.15am.

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