

**Borders NHS Board****CHAIR AND NON EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT****Aim**

To update the Board on the recent activities undertaken by the Non Executive Directors.

**Committee Meetings and Events:** The following committee meetings and events have taken place.

<b>10 August</b>	Health & Social Care Integration Joint Board
<b>3 September</b>	Strategy & Performance Committee
<b>3 September</b>	Board Development & Strategy Session
<b>9 September</b>	Public Governance Committee
<b>14 September</b>	Staff Governance Committee
<b>16 September</b>	Clinical Governance Committee
<b>17 September</b>	Annual Review 2014/15
<b>21 September</b>	Audit Committee
<b>23 September</b>	Remuneration Committee
<b>28 September</b>	Area Clinical Forum

**John Raine:** Meetings and events attended during the summer period included the Early Years Centre Launch- Breastfeeding (13 August), Technical Advisory Group On Resource Allocation (TAGRA) (27 August), National Board Chairs meetings (31 August and 21 September) and the Quality Portfolio Group (4 September).

**Pat Alexander:** On 26th August I attended a development day for the Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Health and Social Care Integration Joint Boards. It began with a Ministerial address by Shona Robison, Cabinet Secretary for Health, who emphasised the importance of locality development and strategic commissioning. She acknowledged joint efforts in tackling delayed discharges and stressed the importance of early winter planning. After lunch I attended a workshop given by Audit Scotland on Performance and Scrutiny. This dealt with the way the Audit Commission would Audit Health and Social Care beginning with emerging risks and challenges. The presentation included a thought provoking section on governance and accountability identifying cultural differences and possible conflicts of interest between NHS and Council members of the Board and stressing the importance of clarity in reporting back and relationships with Community Planning and Clinical Governance structures. An address by Paul Gray, Director General of Health and Social Care Scottish Government emphasised the importance of sharing and using data and commented that the role of the non-executive director is to seek assurance, not reassurance. Finally Geoff Huggins, Acting Director for Health and Social Care Integration Scottish Government, summed up the day and announced a follow-up event in January.

**Recommendation**

The Board is asked to **note** the report.

<b>Policy/Strategy Implications</b>	Not Applicable.
<b>Consultation</b>	Not Applicable.
<b>Consultation with Professional Committees</b>	Not Applicable.
<b>Risk Assessment</b>	Not Applicable.
<b>Compliance with Board Policy requirements on Equality and Diversity</b>	Compliant
<b>Resource/Staffing Implications</b>	Not Applicable.

**Approved by**

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