

Borders NHS Board



Meeting Date: 5 March 2020

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PUBLIC GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE	
Purpose of Report:	
<p>The purpose of this report is to brief the Board on any areas of concern within the Committee's remit, in order to provide assurance to the Board that those matters have been identified and are being addressed.</p>	
Recommendations:	
<p>The Board is asked to note the update from the Public Governance Committee.</p>	
Approval Pathways:	
<p>This report has been prepared for the Board.</p>	
Executive Summary:	
<p>The Public Governance Committee would like to highlight the following to the Board from its meeting held on 4 February 2020:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Terms of Reference:</u> The Committee's terms of reference were reviewed and agreed subject to some minor amendments. • <u>Turnaround/Public Engagement:</u> The Committee received an update from Clare Oliver in regard to public involvement and engagement and noted that with an increased focus on service reviews as the second year of NHS Borders' Turnaround Programme was progressed, the potential for service change was growing. Ms Oliver assured the Committee that public involvement would be factored into the project management process to ensure the organisation met its statutory obligations of informing, engaging and consulting with the public on how it planned and delivered services. • In January 2020 the first phase of Public Engagement to support the Turnaround Programme was launched. It had focused on 'The need to change' and was delivered in the form of a video posted to NHS Borders social media platforms and website, and a media briefing. • Phase two of the Public Engagement strategy for the Turnaround Programme was due to be focused on the Older Person's Pathway. • <u>Public Involvement Activity:</u> Since November 2019 the executive responsibility for Public Involvement had transferred to the Director of Strategic Change and 	

Performance with the Communications Manager having day to day responsibility for co-ordination of the function.

- A new structure of Communications with the addition of the Public Involvement function was being progressed and was due for implementation by end of March 2020.
- The current focus was on reviewing the Public Involvement function to ensure it was streamlined, effective and meets the need of members and the organisation.
- **Internal Audit Report: Review of the current approach to Public Involvement & Engagement:** An internal audit report had been received and an action plan to address the 3 recommendations contained within the report had been drawn up.
- **Scottish Health Council (SHC):** Work continued to be progressed in regard to Community Engagement and Improvement Support Gathering Views; Local Office support to NHS Borders; and the Citizens' Jury Evaluation.

Impact of item/issues on:	
Strategic Context	Not Applicable
Patient Safety/Clinical Impact	As set out above
Staffing/Workforce	As set out above
Finance/Resources	As set out above
Risk Implications	As set out above
Equality and Diversity	Complaint
Consultation	Not Applicable
Glossary	Not Applicable