

Board Meeting: 28 September 2018

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Chair's Report

Recommendation/action required:

The Board is asked to note the report.

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Board Chair

20 September 2018

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Purpose

1. The purpose of this paper is to provide an update to the Board on my activities since our last meeting and on matters which are not covered by other papers on the agenda.
2. **Public Health Reform Oversight Board (PHOB), 19 July 2018**
I attended this meeting on 19 July and my subsequent note of 20 September confirmed that Ministers had agreed the PHOB's recommendation to establish Public Health Scotland as a national health board.
3. **Governance of the NHS in Scotland**
A briefing was circulated to Members on 30 July covering the Scottish Parliament Health and Sport Committee Report "**The Governance of the NHS in Scotland – ensuring delivery of the best healthcare for Scotland**". The full report can be accessed [here](#) The NHS Highland Corporate Governance Report [here](#) also contains improvements points that relate to Boards more widely.

We understand that the Scottish Government will issue their response to the Scottish Parliament NHS governance report towards the end of September.

I welcome any views on the two reports.

4. **Health Service Executive, Ireland, 2 August 2018**
I was invited by the Public Appointments Service of Ireland to be a member of the panel to interview candidates for Chair of the Health Service Executive. The Executive is responsible for oversight and scrutiny of the Irish health service.
5. **Finance and Resource Implications**
Any finance and resource implications arising from the governance matters mentioned above will be covered during the meeting.
7. **Staff Partnership**
Any partnership issues arising from our governance considerations will be reported during the Board meeting.
8. **Communication and engagement**
There are no specific communications issues arising from this paper which are not addressed through other relevant plans.
9. **Corporate Risk**
Any additional risks associated with this update will be covered during the meeting.

10. Issues Associated with Transition

The key change and transition issues have been identified in the items noted above.

11. Promoting Fairness

There are no issues arising from this paper.

12. Sustainability and Environmental Management

There are no specific issues arising from this paper.

13. Action/Recommendations

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