

Board Meeting: 28 September 2018

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Chief Executive's Report

Recommendation/action required:

The Board is asked to note the paper.

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20 September 2018

Chief Executive's Report

1. Purpose

The purpose of this paper is to provide an update to the Board on activities and matters involving the Chief Executive and Directors which are not covered by other papers on the agenda.

2. Public Health Reform Programme Board

I continue to attend monthly meetings of the Programme Board which is overseeing the Reform Programme. The most significant developments since June have been: confirmation of the legal basis of Public Health Scotland (PHS); work now underway on the key Commissions; and planning for recruitment of a Chair, Board and Chief Executive at an advanced stage. In addition I have attended workshops to identify the likely benefits to be accrued from the establishment of PHS and on developing a logic model.

3. Independent Care Review

The next stage of the Independent Care Review in Scotland, the Journey Phase, has now started and I have been asked to co-chair a workstream entitled Health and Wellbeing, my co-chair being a young person with care experience. Each of the ten workstreams were agreed from the evidence arising from the earlier Discovery phase of the review and in particular the 1000 voices project reflecting the input from over 1000 young people with care experience.

4. Modern Apprentices

I am pleased to report that following a partnership with Who Cares Scotland we have recruited four modern apprentices who commenced their two year apprenticeships with us on 3 September and are currently undertaking a planned induction programme.

5. Innovation Fund Scrutiny Panel

To progress the Tackling Child Poverty Delivery Plan 2018-22 "Every child, every chance" the Scottish Government, in partnership with the Hunter Foundation has launched an Innovation Fund. I was asked to sit on a national scrutiny panel to consider applications to the fund and make recommendations to the Programme Board. The first tranche of funding applications should be notified by October 2018.

6. The Robertson Trust

Following a recruitment process I am pleased to advise the Board that I have been appointed to the Board of Trustees of the Robertson Trust, Scotland's

largest independent grant making body who's objectives are very well aligned to the strategic objectives of Health Scotland.

7. Complaints

From 14 June to 18 September 2018 NHS Health Scotland received 33 complaints or concerns which were intended for other health bodies. The 'misdirected' complainants were all advised to contact the relevant NHS Board or Practice Manager at their GP or dental Surgery; or passed directly to the appropriate NHS complaints team. We also passed on 2 compliments intended for the Scottish Ambulance Service.

In June we responded to a concern relating to the image used in the MenACWY leaflet. We offered the person raising the concern more information on how the image was sourced and why it was chosen. We also let them know that this leaflet was designed to accompany a one-year catch-up vaccination programme for MenACWY, which was completed in 2016.

8. Finance and Resource Implications

There are no finance and resource implications as such arising from this paper.

9. Staff Partnership

There are no partnership issues which are not addressed through other relevant plans.

10. Communication and engagement

There are no specific communications issues arising from this paper which are not addressed through other relevant plans.

11. Corporate Risk

Any risks associated with this update are incorporated within related project plans.

12. Promoting Fairness

There are no specific issues arising from this paper.

13. Sustainability and Environmental Management

There are no specific environmental issues arising from this paper.

14. Action/ Recommendations

The Board is asked to note the paper.

Gerald McLaughlin
Chief Executive
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