

NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde	Paper No. 26/34
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Meeting Date:	30 April 2026
Title:	Key Updates from Standing Committee
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1. Purpose

The purpose of this paper is to provide an update on the key information shared with our Standing Committees since our last Board Meeting to ensure transparency in discussion across our committees and the decisions made as appropriately delegated in line with the Scheme of Delegation. This paper is in addition to the Standing Committee reports shared with each Board outlining topics of discussion. The paper will pull main topics of discussion for transparency and will not include all standing committees, which will be covered in the Standing Committee Chair's Reports. The paper will expand on agenda items that would be considered in the public interest to further increase transparency of our discussions and decisions.

2. Executive Summary

The paper summarises the key updates shared with:

- Clinical Care and Governance Committee – 5 March 2026
- Audit and Risk Committee – 19 March 2026
- Finance Planning and Performance Committee – 25 March 2026

3. Recommendations

The Board is asked to note the information shared with our Standing Committees.

4. Response Required

This paper is presented for awareness.

5. Impact Assessment

The impact of this paper on NHSGGC's corporate aims, approach to equality and diversity and environmental impact are assessed as follows:

• Better Health	<u>Positive</u> impact
• Better Care	<u>Positive</u> impact
• Better Value	<u>Positive</u> impact
• Better Workplace	<u>Positive</u> impact
• Equality & Diversity	<u>Positive</u> impact
• Environment	<u>Positive</u> impact

6. Engagement & Communications

The content of this paper was considered by the Chair and the Director of Corporate Services and Governance.

7. Governance Route

N.A

8. Date Prepared & Issued

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Key Standing Committee Updates March 2026

1. Clinical Care and Governance Committee – 5 March 2026

The CCGC were provided with an update regarding actions taken in response to unannounced Healthcare Improvement Scotland (HIS) inspections across Acute Services; on the three remaining outstanding actions arising from HIS inspections undertaken between 2019 and 2025; on the current, active HIS unannounced Safe Delivery of Care inspection at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital Maternity Unit; and an overview of the joint unannounced HIS/Mental Welfare Commission (MWC) inspection at Skye House in August 2025 and the MWC unannounced visit to Claythorn House in February 2026.

Further points for discussion included an update on all the Fatal Accident Inquiries (FAIs) that NHSGGC are currently participating in. An update on progress and activity within primary care and community care including the current position on Significant Adverse Event Reviews (SAERs); an update on the Topiramate Pregnancy Prevention Programme; the Cervical Smear National Audit Report; the Coil Training Project Outcome and Scottish Public Services Ombudsman reports was provided. There was further focus on SAERs noting a substantial improvement on overdue SAERs. The HAIRT was also presented, including a hand hygiene deep dive. The CCGC were advised that there were no exceptions to report and performance in NHSGGC was within control limits.

The CCGC received the Quarter 3 Patient Experience Report. The CCGC approved the Duty of Candour Policy and Procedure which had been reviewed in line with updated Scottish Government guidance and the updated NHSGGC Policy for Managing Significant Adverse Events.

2. Audit and Risk Committee – 19 March 2026

Key updates included the Fraud Report and Counter Fraud Services Update, one new case of fraud was recorded, and 92 allegations were received during the reporting period. The Committee approved the write off of 2 debts over £20,000 and noted the write off a further 37 debts under £20,000. The ARC approved 2025-26 NHSGG Accounting Policies and noted the Annual Audit Plan for Year ending 31 March 2026. The Committee were content to approve the proposed extension of the Internal Audit Service until June 2028.

The Committee received the following Internal Audit Reports: Internal Audit Progress Report, Internal Audit Follow Up Report, Whistleblowing, Communication Strategy, Workforce Planning and Information Governance.

The Committee received a summary of a recent data breach incident involving inappropriate access to clinical records by a member of GP Practice Staff, and the actions taken and the lessons learned following a review of the incident.

3. Finance Planning and Performance Committee – 25 March 2026

The FPPC received the Finance Report – Month 10 paper for assurance, an overspend of £3.9m was reported, of which £64.9m is attributed to unachieved savings being offset by a pay and non-pay underspend.

The FPPC received an update on performance against key corporate indicators contained within the newly established IPQR. The Committee noted that during the reporting period, there was ongoing progress in several core areas, however it was noted that there was a number of persistent pressures across the system

Transforming Together – GGC Way Forward Portfolio Status Report was reported to the FPPC, the Committee noted that during the reporting period, 16 January to 13 February, portfolio progress was positive.

The Committee received an overview of the draft 2026-27 Formula Capital Allocation and Expenditure proposals and were asked to consider the suggested prioritisation of the overall allocation, prior to submission to the April NHSGGC Board meeting for approval.

An update paper on the Disposal of West Glasgow Ambulatory Care Hospital Site was presented to the FPPC. The Committee was content to note the progress and the recommendations included in the paper.

The Committee received an overview of the current operational position of the Public Dental Service, the impact of temporary service withdrawals from four sites, and the proposed approach for a comprehensive Future Service Model Review. The Committee received assurance that communications was an integral part of service engagement.

The Committee noted the annual report outlining the progress against climate related aims and duties in line with the Scottish Government's Policy for NHS Scotland on the Climate Emergency and Sustainable Development.

4. Recommendations

The Board is asked to note this update on the range of discussions held within the Standing Committees in line with the Scheme of Delegation.