

NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde	Paper No. 25/145
Paper Title	Standing Committee Chair's Board Report
Meeting:	NHSGGC Board Meeting
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Purpose of Paper:	For Assurance
Classification:	Board Official
Name of Reporting Committee	Population Health and Wellbeing Committee
Date of Reporting Committee	23 October 2025
Committee Chairperson	Charles Vincent

1. Purpose of Paper

The purpose of this paper is to: inform the NHS Board on key items of discussion at the NHSGGC Population Health and Wellbeing Committee.

2. Recommendation

The Board is asked to note the key items of discussion at the recent meeting of the Population Health and Wellbeing Committee on 23 October 2025 as set out below and seek further assurance as required.

3. Key Items of Discussion

3.1 Update on Drug-Related Deaths and Drug Harms in Greater Glasgow and Clyde

- The Committee received an presentation on the epidemiology data associated with drug-related deaths and drug harms as well as a paper which provided an on the current status for assurance.
- The Committee noted that drug-related deaths and drug harms remained a significant public health concern and were a public health priority for NHSGGC and reflected in the Annual Delivery Plan. There had been a decrease in the number of drug-related deaths in 2024 and, despite an increase in 2023, there

was an overall downward trend, however, the number of deaths remained high. The Committee also noted the work that was ongoing around preventing the transmission of Blood Borne Viruses.

- The Committee were assured by the significant work that was ongoing.

3.2 Annual Cycle of Business

- This paper was presented to the Committee for approval.
- The Committee received an updated timetable of the items of business that would be considered over the next six months, noting that this was a dynamic process and items may require to be amended.
- The Committee were content to approve the paper.

3.3 Quarter 1 Public Health Assurance Information Progress Report

- This paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee received an update on quarterly progress against the key priorities as outlined in the Public Health Assurance Information Framework and progress against each of the priorities and mitigating actions where required. The Committee were advised that these reflected the Board's Assurance Information Framework and the Annual Delivery Plan for 2025/26 but would be reviewed alongside the Population Health Framework.
- The Committee were assured by the report.

3.4 Local Child Poverty Action Reports

- This paper was presented to the Committee for approval.
- The Committee received the reports for East Renfrewshire HSCP, Glasgow City HSCP, Renfrewshire HSCP and West Dunbartonshire HSCP.
- The Committee were advised that these annual reports were required by the Child Poverty (Scotland) Act 2017 and described measures to address child poverty. The themes across the reports include financial inclusion and income maximisation; economic empowerment and employability; early intervention and prevention; the promotion of health and wellbeing, noting the importance of partnership working.
- The Committee were content to approve the reports.

3.5 Extract from Corporate Risk Register

- This paper was presented to the Committee for approval.
- The Committee were advised there were two risks aligned to the Committee and no changes had been proposed to the scores for these.
- The Committee were content to approve the Corporate Risk Register.

3.6 Vaccination and Immunisation Annual Report (1 September 2024 – 30 August 2025)

- This paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee noted the performance of the vaccination programme over the last year and were advised of the work that would continue over the next year to improve uptake across all programmes, including this year's winter vaccination campaign.
- The Committee discussed the staff flu vaccination uptake and were concerned that the rate remained low and asked that this issue was referred to the Board to request further communication in an effort to improve this.

- The Committee were assured by the report.

3.7 Population Health Framework

- This Committee received a presentation on Scotland's Population Health Framework for assurance.
- The Committee were advised that the Framework set out the long-term approach to improving Scotland's health and reducing health inequalities. The presentation set out the structure of the Framework, its vision and aim and the initial priorities for 2025/26 - embedding prevention in our systems and Improving healthy weight. The Committee noted the close working between NHSGGC and Public Health Scotland, noting that their 10 year strategy was due to be published in January 2026. There was also planning guidance awaited from the Scottish Government and all of these different strands would be brought together in delivering the Framework in NHSGGC.
- The Committee noted that this would be a significant piece of work going forward both for the Population Health and Wellbeing Committee and for the NHS Board.

4. Issues for referral to other Standing Committees or escalation to the NHS Board

The Committee had asked that the requirement for further communication around the importance of staff flu vaccination in an effort to increase uptake rates was escalated to the NHS Board.

5. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Population Health and Wellbeing Committee will take place on Thursday 22 January 2026.