

**NHS GREATER GLASGOW AND CLYDE**

**Minutes of the Meeting of the  
Area Clinical Forum  
held on Thursday 14 August 2025 at 2pm  
Via Microsoft Teams**

**Present**

Dr Morven McElroy (in the Chair)

Anita Belbin	Steven Meldrum
Scott Davidson	Josh Miller
Sarah Freel	Fiona Smith
Helen Little	Anne Thompson
Kathy McFall	Angela Wallace

**In Attendance**

Ms Kim Donald	Corporate Services Manager – Governance (Minutes)
Dr Claire Harrow	Deputy Medical Director – Acute
Dr Angela Wallace	Nurse Director

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<b>29.</b>	<b>Welcome And Apologies</b>		
	The Chair welcomed those present to the August 2025 meeting of the Area Clinical Forum:		
	Apologies were noted on behalf of:		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sarah Thompson</li> <li>• Steven Meldrum</li> </ul>		
	<b><u>NOTED</u></b>		
<b>30.</b>	<b>Declarations Of Interest</b>		
	The Chair invited members to declare any interests in any of the items being discussed. There were no declarations made.		
	<b><u>NOTED</u></b>		

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<b>31.</b>	<b>Minutes Of Previous Meeting</b>		
	<p>The Forum considered the minute of the Area Clinical Forum meeting of 3 June 2025 [ACF(M) 25/013 were content to approve as an accurate record of proceedings.</p> <p><b><u>APPROVED</u></b></p>		
<b>32.</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>		
	<p><b>a) Rolling Action List</b></p> <p>The Forum considered the Rolling Action List and agreed the following:</p> <p><b><u>AHP Delivery Framework</u></b> To be added to cycle of business and closed.</p> <p><b><u>Staff Wellbeing Update</u></b> The Chair and Prof Wallace were members of the People Committee and would provide regular updates on areas of focus in that area. Action to be closed.</p> <p><b><u>Brief Update from Each Advisory Committee on Salient Business Points and Minutes to Note</u></b> Issues around IT ongoing. Agreed this would be added to the Annual Review agenda and closed pending future updates which would be added to the agenda.</p> <p><b><u>Discussion surrounding Subcommittee Membership</u></b> The Chair meeting with APC and Hospital Sub-Committee to review terms of reference.</p> <p>It was agreed that a cycle of business would be created and shared as a standing agenda item moving forward.</p> <p><b><u>NOTED</u></b></p>		Secretariat
<b>33.</b>	<b>Executive Update of Ongoing Business</b>		
	<p>Professor Angela Wallace, Executive Nursing Director, provided a verbal update.</p> <p>Prof Wallace outlined the work underway with regards to GGC the Way Forward, including the upcoming Hackathon that would focus on social and community services. She noted the positive feedback received of the previous Hackathons and other areas were creating their own focused Hackathon to establish if services could work more efficiently.</p>		

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	<p>The Forum queried wider attendance at the Hackathons. Prof Wallace and Dr Harrow both highlighted that all colleagues had input into the system, and all feedback was welcomed.</p> <p>Prof Wallace was pleased to note that the Interface Division had been created with the Director, Chief Nurse and Chief of Medicine all in post. Recruitment to the Director of Whole System Flow had also taken place, with the role developed to work closely across Acute and Partnerships to increase overall Flow and reduce pressures.</p> <p>The Forum were content to note the update.</p> <p><b><u>NOTED</u></b></p>		
<b>34.</b>	<b>Annual Review – 2025</b>		
	<p>Ms Donald, Corporate Services Manager – Governance, provided a verbal update.</p> <p>Ms Donald advised that the Annual Review was being held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025 and required approval from the Forum regarding the summary of discussions across 2025/25.</p> <p>The Forum were content to approve the summary and agreed the following agenda items.</p> <p>Item 1 – Workforce: HCSSA and Reduced Working Week  Item 2 - Digital Strategy: Integration of Digital Solutions  Item 3 - Realistic Medicine, Communication and Sustainability</p> <p>The Forum were content to approve circulation of the ACF summary.</p> <p><b><u>APPROVED</u></b></p>		
<b>35.</b>	<b>Brief Update from Each Advisory Committee on Salient Business Points and Minutes to Note</b>		
	<p><u>Area Optometric Committee</u></p> <p>Ms Freel reported that from 1<sup>st</sup> August 2025 there had been a change to the funding structure which allowed independent prescribing optometrists autonomy to undertake more complex eye conditions to reduce the number of referrals into secondary care.</p>		

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	<p><u>Area Pharmaceutical Committee</u></p> <p>Mr Miller reported that he was working with the Chair and Secretariat regarding the APC terms of reference. Mr Miller also noted that there had been a recent change in management structure which had caused a period of flux while people move into interim roles.</p> <p><u>Area Dental Committee</u></p> <p>Ms Belbin highlighted poor attendance at the July meeting but agreed this was likely due to the summer holidays.</p> <p>She reported that Amalgam was difficult to access and order from Europe due to environmental concerns; this is currently the only material permitted to be used by the NHS for back teeth</p> <p><u>Area Psychology Committee.</u></p> <p>Ms Gamble noted that there had been a review of leadership structures to increase overall efficiency. She reported that the cuts in community services, such as Sandyford, had seen an increase in waiting lists.</p> <p><u>Area Medical Committee</u></p> <p>The Chair advised that a review of the AMC structure was underway, as well as a review of the Hospital Sub-Committee structure and remit as was agreed this was not functioning as it should be at present.</p> <p>The Forum were content to note the update.</p> <p><b>NOTED</b></p>		
<b>36.</b>	<b>Closing Remarks and Key Messages for the Board</b>		
	<p>The Chair wanted to formally note her thanks to Dr Lesley Rousselet for her commitment and contribution as Chair of the ACF.</p> <p>The Chair thanked members for their attendance and for the presentations and updates provided.</p>		
<b>37.</b>	<b>ACF Members Only – Open Discussion</b>		
	<p>The Chair invited members to discuss any issues they wished to raise to the group.</p>		

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<b>38.</b>	<b>Date and Time of Next Scheduled Meeting</b>		
	The next meeting would be held on 9 <sup>th</sup> October 2025 at 2pm, via MS Teams.		