

NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde	Paper No. 23/35
Paper Title	Standing Committee Chair's Board Report
Meeting:	NHSGGC Board Meeting
Date of Meeting:	27 June 2023
Purpose of Paper:	For Assurance
Classification:	Board Official
Name of Reporting Committee:	Acute Services Committee
Date of Reporting Committee:	16 May 2022
Committee Chairperson:	Mr Ian Ritchie

1. Purpose of Paper

The purpose of this paper is to: inform the NHS Board on key items of discussion at the NHSGGC Acute Services Committee which took place on 16 May 2023.

2. Recommendation

The Board is asked to note the key items of discussion at the recent meeting of the Acute Services Committee on 16 May 2023 as set out below and seek further assurance as required.

3. Key Items of Discussion

3.1 Acute Update

The Committee received a brief verbal update from the Chief Operating Officer on Acute Services.

The Committee were advised that the number of COVID-19 positive inpatients had decreased significantly, however, occupancy remained high across Acute hospitals and unscheduled care performance remained challenging.

3.2 Acute Services Integrated Performance Report

The Committee received an update from the Director of Finance on performance against the Key Performance Indicators outlined in the Acute Performance Assurance Framework, based on the key priorities for Acute Services outlined in the 2022-23 Annual Delivery Plan, the new planned care reduction targets and key national and local targets.

The Committee were assured by the update provided on performance against the targets, noting the work that was underway in those areas that required improvement. The Committee also noted that the Annual Delivery Plan would be submitted to the Scottish Government on 8 June 2023.

3.3 Continuous Flow Model Update

The Committee received a presentation on the Glasgow Continuous Flow Model (GlasFLOW) from the Director, South Sector, and the Director, Clyde Sector.

The presentation described the work that had commenced in this area along with the impact and outcomes to date. The Committee also received an overview of the implementation of the model in South which had commenced earlier. The Committee were assured by benefits of the model and the significant level of planning and clinical governance that had taken place across the whole system in implementing this.

3.4 Alternatives to Emergency Department Attendance

The Committee received a presentation Alternatives to ED Admission from the Deputy Medical Director - Acute. The Committee also received an overview of Outpatient Parenteral Antibiotic Therapy (OPAT) from the Chief of Medicine, Clyde Sector.

The Committee were advised that a whole system approach to this work had been undertaken based around the Redesign of Urgent Care programme and building on the GlasFLOW work and this would lead to a better outcomes for both patients and staff in terms of wellbeing and resilience. The Committee were assured by the comprehensive work that was ongoing in this area and the engagement activities that were underway,

3.5 Financial Monitoring Report

The Committee received an update on the month 12 financial position in Acute Services from the Director of Finance.

The Committee noted the year end position subject to audit and the Savings and Value Programme at year end. The Committee were assured by the work that was underway to meet the savings target in 2023/24.

3.6 Extract from Corporate Risk Register

The Committee were advised that the risk register had undergone the normal review process and no changes had been proposed to the three risks that were on the Acute Services Committee Corporate Risk Register.

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

The Committee had discussed the ongoing challenges in relation to delayed discharges but noted that this was for the Finance, Planning and Performance Committee to take forward.

5. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Finance, Planning and Performance Committee will take place on 18 July 2023.