Introduction

This Core Brief details a summary from today’s Board meeting.

The Board of NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde met today, Tuesday 26 June 2018.

All the papers from a very full agenda are available on the NHSGGC website (click here to access all the Board papers).

Here is a summary of three key items from today’s meeting:

Moving Forward Together Blueprint gets backing of board
Dr Jennifer Armstrong presented a blueprint for the future delivery of health and social care services in Greater Glasgow and Clyde.

The ‘Moving Forward Together’ strategy sets out how primary, community and acute health and social care services will work together in the future to support people to live longer, healthier lives in their own homes and communities and to promote self-management and independence. Chairman John Brown described the paper and the decision to support it as “one of the most important decisions the Board has made since he became chair.

Mr Brown said he was “hugely impressed by the amount of engagement with staff and that it was clinically led and managerially supported”.

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Accounts approved and challenge for year ahead outlined
The annual report and consolidated accounts for 2017/18 were presented and approved by the Board today. The accounts showing that the Board ended the financial year in balance shows that £70.1m of non-recurring funds were used to achieve balance. The accounts will now be presented to the Scottish Parliament for consideration.

Finance Director Mark White set out details of the financial challenge facing NHSGGC in this current year and reported on some significant progress by the Board’s Financial Improvement Programme.

He highlighted that the Board’s 2018/19 challenge equated to circa five per cent of savings and efficiencies. His report details the need for an organisational culture and behavioural shift “with greater focus, pace and ambition around financial grip, achievement of savings and embedding sustainability and value”.
The Board heard that between potential non-recurring sources and efficiencies already identified by the Financial Improvement Programme the “in-year” gap stood at around £29m on a £3.2billion budget. Work will continue to close that gap over the months ahead and chairman John Brown said he was encouraged by the progress so far.

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£40+ million health and social care hub
A new £40+ million health and social care hub for the North East of Glasgow today moved a step closer.

NHSGGC's Board agreed the draft Initial Agreement for the proposed new Hub as part of a plan to improve performance across a number of services and reduce inequalities for people living in the area.

It is also anticipated the hub will increase capacity and adaptability of the facility compared to the current, older centre in the area. In addition, it will improve access to services and better integration between health and social work teams and services.

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