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University National NHS Board



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THIS PAPER IS FOR NOTING	
BOARD DEVELOPMENT SESSION REPORT	

Lead Director Author	Tom Steele, Chair Lindsey Ralph, Board Secretary
Action required	The Board is asked to note the report.
Key points	This paper provides information on the most recent Board Development sessions held on 28 March and 26 April 2023.
Timing	Board Development sessions are held bi-monthly and a report is provided to the next public Board meeting on the main items discussed.

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SCOTTISH AMBULANCE SERVICE BOARD

REPORT FROM BOARD DEVELOPMENT SESSION

TOM STEELE, CHAIR

SECTION 1: PURPOSE

Board Development sessions are held bi-monthly and provide an opportunity for Board members to consider issues in detail and improve members' understanding and knowledge of what are often complex subjects. The format of the sessions usually consists of a presentation or briefing from Executive Directors and managers leading the area of work, or staff involved in the work, followed by discussion and questions from members or a workshop focused on areas for board development.

SECTION 2: BACKGROUND

Board Development sessions are not decision making meetings. The Board's Code of Corporate Governance sets out the decision making process which is observed. The sessions do however assist the decision making process through in depth exploration and analysis of an issue which may be the subject of a formal board decision. They also provide an opportunity for updates on ongoing strategic matters.

SECTION 3: DISCUSSION

The Board Development session on 28 March 2023 was held in Glasgow and the session on 26 April 2023 was held virtually on MS Teams.

28 March 2023

The main focus of this session was an update on the development of the Service's Annual Delivery Plan 2023/24 and Medium Term Plan 2023-2026. The Board also received update presentations on the Service's Digital Strategy and the development of the Service's draft Quality Strategy.

26 April 2023

Board members virtually joined a Scottish Government event on the implementation of the second edition of the Blueprint for Good Governance delivered by Richard McCallum and Professor John Brown CBE.

Following on from this, the Board Development session received a presentation update on the development of the Service's Technician to Paramedic arrangements and on the Service's proposed improvement aims for 2023/24.

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