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Health Board



<b>Meeting Date</b>	<b>27 July 2023</b>	<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>6.2</b>
<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Board Advisory Group Reports</b>		
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<b>Presented by</b>	Hazel Lloyd, Director of Corporate Governance		
<b>Freedom of Information</b>	Open		
<b>Purpose of the Report</b>	The purpose of the report is to provide the board with an update from its advisory groups.		
<b>Key Issues</b>	<p>The board has three advisory groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health Board Partnership Forum;</li> <li>• Health Professionals’ Forum; and</li> <li>• Stakeholder Reference Group.</li> </ul> <p>In-line with standing orders, each Group is required to submit a report to the board summarising the discussions at each meeting. This report covers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Health Board Partnership Forum held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023;</li> <li>- The Stakeholder Reference Group held on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023 and 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023.</li> </ul>		
<b>Specific Action Required</b> <i>(please choose one only)</i>	<b>Information</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Assurance</b>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Recommendations</b>	<p>Members are asked to:</p> <p><b>NOTE</b> the discussions of the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Stakeholder Reference Group held on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023 and 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023;</li> <li>– Health Board Partnership Forum held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023.</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE</b> the Health Professionals forum was cancelled due to quoracy issues, the date of the next meeting was 8<sup>th</sup> August 2023.</p>		

## **Board Advisory Group Reports**

### **1. INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of the report is to provide the board with an update from its advisory groups.

### **2. BACKGROUND**

The board has three advisory groups – Stakeholder Reference Group, Health Board Partnership Forum and Health Professionals’ Forum. In-line with standing orders, each one is required to submit a report to the board following each meeting and the main issues are highlighted through this report and covers:

- Health Board Professionals Forum.

### **3. GOVERNANCE AND RISK ISSUES**

While the full summary reports are appended, the following are key issues the groups drew to the board’s attention:

#### **(i) Stakeholder Reference Group (SRG)**

##### **12<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

- With the March meeting of the Stakeholder Reference Group having to be cancelled due to it not being quorate, members were reminded of the importance of attending the meeting and if they are unable to do so, advising the Engagement Team of their apologies.
- A detailed and informative presentation on the Public Health priorities was provided by colleagues from the Health Board’s Public Health Directorate, which contained slides regarding the Population Health Strategy.

##### **3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023**

- The group were pleased that there was excellent attendance at the meeting with fifteen members joining.
- The regional Director of Neath Port Talbot & Swansea for Llais provided the group with an overview of the new organisation and its new working arrangements.
- Discussions took place regarding the Health Board’s work to date on developing and extending engagement with communities, feedback from members was received. It was agreed that this feedback would be factored into plans for the development of engagement activities by the Health Board in July 2023.

#### **(ii) Health Board Partnership Forum**

- An update was received on staff resilience with the current focus on providing support in areas of high absence as evidence suggests that sickness absence may be higher without the support of wellbeing initiatives.
- An update was given on action taken as a result of the letter received by a number of senior managers and Unions. A Task and Finish group had been established involving a range of clinicians.
- A workforce update was received.
- A finance update on the health board position was received.

**(iii) Health Professionals' Forum**

- The Health Professionals forum scheduled to take place on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2023 was cancelled due to quoracy issues, the next meeting is scheduled for 8<sup>th</sup> August 2023.

**4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial implications, as these are not decision-making forums.

**5. RECOMMENDATION**

Members are asked to:

**NOTE** the discussions of the:

- Health Board Partnership Forum held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

**NOTE** the discussions of the:

- Stakeholder Reference Group held on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023 and 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023.

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<b>Governance and Assurance</b>		
<b>Link to Enabling Objectives</b> <i>(please choose)</i>	<b>Supporting better health and wellbeing by actively promoting and empowering people to live well in resilient communities</b>	
	Partnerships for Improving Health and Wellbeing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Co-Production and Health Literacy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Digitally Enabled Health and Wellbeing	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<b>Deliver better care through excellent health and care services achieving the outcomes that matter most to people</b>	
	Best Value Outcomes and High Quality Care	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Partnerships for Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Excellent Staff	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Digitally Enabled Care	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outstanding Research, Innovation, Education and Learning	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Health and Care Standards</b>		
<i>(please choose)</i>	Staying Healthy	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Safe Care	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Effective Care	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Dignified Care	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Timely Care	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Individual Care	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Staff and Resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Quality, Safety and Patient Experience</b>		
<p>The advisory groups, amongst other areas, consider the quality and safety of services from patient and staff perspectives. They also consider the experience of patients and staff. These reports provide assurance to the board that effective scrutiny is taking place to ensure quality, safety, patient and staff experience are of the right level.</p>		
<b>Financial Implications</b>		
There are no financial implications.		
<b>Legal Implications (including equality and diversity assessment)</b>		
There are no legal implications but the health board has a statutory duty to have these advisory groups within its governance structure.		
<b>Staffing Implications</b>		
While there are no staffing implications to the report, there may be staffing issues included in the highlight report from the Health Board Partnership Forum.		
<b>Long Term Implications (including the impact of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015)</b>		

The advisory groups have a strategic focus to their agendas and provide a view on the future plans which will support the delivery of the health board's short, medium and long-term plans.

**Report History**

Standing board item.

**Appendices**

Appendix 1 - Health Board Partnership Forum key issues report from meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

Appendix 2 –Stakeholder Reference Group key issues report from meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

Appendix 3 - Stakeholder Reference Group key issues report from meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023.