

# NHS Ayrshire & Arran



<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Ayrshire and Arran NHS Board</b>
<b>Meeting date:</b>	<b>Monday 6 October 2025</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Information Governance Committee meeting on 1 September 2025 – Chair's report to NHS Board</b>
<b>Responsible Director:</b>	<b>Dr Crawford McGuffie, Medical Director</b>
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## 1. Purpose

This is presented to the Board for: Discussion.

This paper relates to: Local policy to ensure good governance practice in reporting from board committees

This aligns to the NHS Scotland quality ambitions of Safe, Effective and Person Centred. Good governance practice supports the effective delivery of services across the organisation.

## 2. Report summary

### 2.1 Situation

This report provides information to Board Members on key items discussed within the Governance Committee's remit, in order to provide assurance to the Board that those matters have been identified and are being addressed, where required.

### 2.2 Background

The Board Model Standing Orders advises that Board meeting papers will include the minutes of committee meetings which the relevant committee has approved. To ensure that there is no delay in reporting from committees this paper provides a timely update on key issues from committees.

### 2.3 Assessment

Key items agreed by Committee are noted below. Identification of organisational risks, stakeholder considerations and other impacts were included in papers to the Committee.

- Committee members discussed the Information Governance Committee (IGC) strategic risk register in detail. For Risk ID557, compliance – information

governance, it was proposed to split the risk into three separate risks to allow focus on mitigating actions in these areas. It was recognised that these may not all become strategic risks and some may move to the operational risk register. Further discussion would take place at the Information Governance Operational Delivery Group and Risk and Resilience Scrutiny and Assurance Group and an update would be provided at the next Committee meeting on 17 November 2025.

- The Committee received a detailed Cyber Security report. Members were updated on the phishing simulation exercise which recently took place, including outturns and improvement actions identified as a result. A further phishing simulation exercise would take place in November 2025. Members underlined the importance of staff completing Cyber Security training given the cyber risk to the organisation and considered potential approaches to encourage staff uptake of this training. The Executive team would consider further out with the meeting and report back at a future meeting.

## **2.4 Recommendation**

The Board is asked to be aware of and discuss the key items highlighted and receive assurance that issues are being addressed, where required.