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Report Title	Chair's Report		
Report Author	Pamela Wenger, Director of Corporate Governance		
Report Sponsor	Emma Woollett, Interim Chair		
Presented by	Emma Woollett, Interim Chair		
Freedom of Information	Open		
Purpose of the Report	This report aims to provide an update to the Board on relevant matters in my capacity as Interim Chair of the Health Board.		
Key Issues	This report provides key updates to the Board including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointment of Interim Vice Chair • Third Sector Independent Member • Board Development 		
Specific Action Required <i>(please choose one only)</i>	Information	Discussion	Assurance
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Recommendations	Members are asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note the report. 		

INTERIM CHAIR'S REPORT

1. PURPOSE

This report aims to provide an update to the Board on relevant matters in my capacity as Interim Chair of the Health Board.

Progress is being made on a number of key areas and further update reports on related key issues feature prominently at Board and Committees of the Board which oversee and scrutinise the Board's business.

2. KEY UPDATES

My first month in post as Interim Chair has been very busy and I have spent much of my time meeting with key partners and Independent Members of the Board. Working ever more effectively and collaboratively with our partners is critical and a key priority of mine over the next few months.

I am in the process of reviewing the Independent Member commitments and reviewing the Chair and Membership of Committees to ensure that there is fairness and appropriate allocation across all Independent Members. Once I have had the opportunity to complete this process, I will update the Board

Appointment of Interim Vice Chair

Following my appointment as Interim Chair, I have written to the Minister for Health and Social Services with my recommendation for an Interim Vice Chair support to me in my role as Interim Chair. I will keep the Board informed on progress on the appointment.

Third Sector Independent Member

Now that I have been appointed as Interim Chair, I am liaising with Welsh Government to progress the appointment of the Third Sector Independent Member. I will keep the Board updated on progress.

Board development

At the end of June, the Board held the final Board Development Session with the Kings Fund. It was a great opportunity for all Board Members to spend the morning shadowing members of staff to help the Board improve their understanding of the roles and responsibilities of various clinical and non-clinical staff across the Health Board. This experience was valued by all Members of the Board and we are keen to build upon this process as part of our ongoing and continuous engagement with our staff.

I am in the process of the reviewing the Board Development Programme with Pam Wenger, Director of Corporate Governance to ensure that these sessions are focused on the development of the Board so we can continually improve collectively and strive to become a high performing board.

Local elected representatives

I am looking forward to chairing my first meeting with our local and regional Assembly Members, Members of Parliament, and/or their representatives in September. These meetings provide an opportunity both to proactively share developments that may be of interest to our local representatives as well to create an open space outside of the regular channels of communication for Members to raise any issues of concern.

3. RECOMMENDATION

Members are asked to:

- **NOTE** the report.

Governance and Assurance		
Link to Enabling Objectives (please choose)	Supporting better health and wellbeing by actively promoting and empowering people to live well in resilient communities	
	Partnerships for Improving Health and Wellbeing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Co-Production and Health Literacy	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Digitally Enabled Health and Wellbeing	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Deliver better care through excellent health and care services achieving the outcomes that matter most to people	
	Best Value Outcomes and High Quality Care	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Partnerships for Care	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Excellent Staff	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Digitally Enabled Care	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Outstanding Research, Innovation, Education and Learning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Health and Care Standards		
(please choose)	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"/>
Quality, Safety and Patient Experience		
Ensuring that the Health Board make fully informed decisions is dependent on the quality and accuracy of information presented and considered by those making decisions. Informed decisions are more likely to impact favourable on the quality, safety and experience of patients and staff.		
Financial Implications		
There are no financial implications contained within this report. However, specific impact, where relevant, will have been considered within individual reports referenced within this update.		
Legal Implications (including equality and diversity assessment)		
There are no legal implications contained within this report. However, specific impact, where relevant, will have been considered within individual reports referenced within this update.		
Staffing Implications		
There are no direct implications on workforce in this report. However, specific impact, where relevant, will have been considered within individual reports referenced within this update.		
Long Term Implications (including the impact of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015)		
There are no direct implications on the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act. However, the specific updates in this report will be subject to full impact against the act where necessary.		
Report History	None.	
Appendices	None.	