

NHS 24 BOARD MEETING		21 DECEMBER 2023 ITEM NO 12.2 FOR APPROVAL	
GOOD GOVERNANCE CHAMPION			
Executive Sponsor:		Dr Martin Cheyne, Board Chair	
Lead Officer/Author:		Geraldine Mathew, Board Secretary	
Action Required		The NHS 24 Board is asked to approve the recommendation to appoint Mr Martin Togneri as the Non-Executive Board Member Good Governance Champion.	
Key Points for this Committee to consider		The Blueprint for Good Governance Second Edition was published in December 2022, and is being adopted nationally as the primary and universal guide for NHS Boards to ensure uniform and excellence in governance.	
Governance process		This paper is presented to the NHS 24 Board for approval.	
Strategic alignment and link to overarching NHS Scotland priorities and strategies		State how this paper aligns with the key strategic priorities below and any other appropriate SG policies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Blueprint for Good Governance Second Edition 	
Key Risks		There are no risks associated with this paper.	
Financial Implications		There are no financial implications associated with this paper.	
Equality and Diversity		Equality and Diversity is covered within the Corporate Governance Framework as a priority of the organisation.	

1. RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 The NHS 24 Board is asked to approve recommendation of the appointment of a Non-Executive Board Member as Good Governance Champion.
- 1.2 Mr Martin Togneri has agreed to take this role on with the proposed remit (Appendix 1) and it is recommended that the NHS 24 Board approve the appointment of Mr Martin Togneri as Good Governance Champion.

2. TIMING

- 2.1 The NHS 24 Board has considered the Blueprint for Good Governance and conducted a Board Workshop Session on 28 September 2023 to ensure compliance.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Blueprint for Good Governance Second Edition was published on 23 December 2022 and is being adopted nationally as the primary and universal guide for NHS Boards to ensure uniform and excellence in governance.
- 3.2 The NHS 24 Board invited Professor John Brown CBE, joint author of the Blueprint to present at a Board Workshop Session on 28 September 2023.
- 3.3 As a consequence of this, it has been decided to recommend a Good Governance Champion be appointed from the Non-Executive Board Member cohort to work with the Director of Finance and the Board Secretary to support the implementation of the Blueprint.
- 3.4 Once approved by the NHS 24 Board, the Good Governance Champion and the Board Secretary will begin work to develop a Monitoring Report, as detailed in Appendix 1.
- 3.5 The Board has recently undertaken the new Blueprint for Good Governance Self-Assessment Survey, the results of which will be discussed at the Board Workshop Session on 25 January 2024.
- 3.6 Following the Board Workshop Session, a Governance Development Plan will be created, and the Monitoring Report will assist in reporting to the Board on progress of implementation of the Governance Development Plan.

4. ENGAGEMENT

- 4.1 The Chief Executive, the Board Chair, the Director of Finance, and the Board Secretary have been consulted with during this process.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no financial implications associated with this paper.

APPENDIX 1

Good Governance Champion Remit

1. The principal function will be the oversight of the implementation of the Blueprint for Good Governance in NHS 24. The Good Governance Champion will agree a review process with reports to the Board at agreed intervals.
2. The Executive function for governance is within the remit of the Director of Finance and delegated to the Board Secretary. Consequently, the Champion will work primarily with the Board Secretary; a monitoring template will be developed which will be formally reported to board annually.
3. The Monitoring Report will provide evidence of compliance as well as identifying areas for improvement; it will further ensure actions are being progressed in a timely manner.
4. The continuing self-assessment process will be incorporated in the overall process of compliance with the Blueprint; it will further incorporate the active governance approach which has been developed by Scottish Government.
5. The Board Secretary and the Good Governance Champion will consider benchmarking against other Boards' governance approaches.