IJB26. External Review: Culture and Governance – Emergency Department Forth Valley Royal Hospital

The Integration Joint Board considered a report by the Chief Officer providing information on a recent External Review of the Emergency Department commissioned by the NHS Forth Valley Chief Executive in response to a formal complaint from the Royal College of Nursing (RCN) and Unison about staff experience in the Emergency Department.

The Chief Officer advised that the report presented a set of papers agreed by the NHS Board at its meeting on 6 August 2021. The IJB had a locus in the same way as it received reports on other IJB functions (for example care homes or inspections of social care services) and was consistent with previous reports and actions then delegated to the Clinical and Care Governance Committee (CCG). The CCG would receive update reports once they had been through NHS Forth Valley Board processes. It was not intended that the CCG would undertake any separate actions. It would not be the role of the committee to change the action plan which had been agreed by the Health Board.

Decision

The Integration Joint Board:-

- (1) noted the external review report and actions undertaken by the Health Board, and
- (2) delegated authority to the Clinical and Care Governance Committee to oversee implementation of the action plan from the Culture and Governance Emergency Department review report in order to provide assurance to the IJB regarding patient safety.