


Business Bulletin

Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee

10.00am, Tuesday, 18 August 2020

Teams Meeting

Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee

Convener:	Members:	Contact:
<p>Councillor Joanna Mowat</p> 	<p>Councillor Eleanor Bird Councillor Jim Campbell Councillor Maureen Child Councillor Phil Doggart Councillor Neil Ross Councillor Claire Miller Councillor Rob Munn Councillor Gordon Munro Councillor Susan Rae Councillor Norman Work</p>	<p>Lesley Birrell Committee Officer 0131 529 4240</p> <p>Martin Scott Assistant Committee Officer 0131 529 4237</p>

Recent news	Background
<p>Annual Assurance Statement</p> <p>The Strategy and Communications Annual Assurance Statement was presented to GRBV in February. There was a highlighted control gap in relation to off payroll spend of contractors. There is limited use of temporary staff within the Division but all of whom are contracted through the Council’s agreed and procured supplier. Adequate controls are in place to monitor and manage this spend including regular monitoring of all procurements and regular meetings with finance to scrutinise spend. The Division continues to review its controls to ensure they are working effectively, making changes when required.</p> <p>Whistleblowing Report Update</p> <p>Since our last report on 3 December 2019, progress had begun against the recommended actions laid out in our improvement plan. The plan addressed the findings from the Whistleblowing investigation report and subsequent recommendations relating to both Council and independent care homes. The Partnership continue to work with all Care Homes in Edinburgh to ensure health and safety measures are robust and covers all health and safety matters. The Partnership continues to develop its resilience planning (which includes Health and Safety / evacuation procedures) to ensure it is sufficient and health and safety risk</p>	<p>Whistleblowing Investigation Report, 3 December 2019</p>

assessments and incident management plans (and their affiliated protocols) are reviewed and updated as necessary.

A current Large Scale Investigation (LSI) protocol is in the final stages of review, which includes processes process for notifying relatives if a decision has been made to move residents out of a home in the event of an emergency. The LSI protocol is scheduled to be presented at the next Adult Protection Committee in August.

Forthcoming activities:

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