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1. Enclosed, for Members' information, is a copy of a letter of 13 September 2006 from the Deputy Minister for Health and Community Care to the NHS Board Chairman, summarising the main points and actions agreed during the discussion at the Annual Review and associated meetings in Hamilton on 1 August 2006. The action points agreed during the Annual Review are listed below, with the Lead Officer(s) for ensuring that the action is taken forward identified:
 - i) Continue to work with Planning Partners to strengthen transport linkages and access to healthcare facilities across Lanarkshire (Martin Hill).
 - ii) Continue to work closely with neighbouring NHS Boards to ensure planning of major service redesign is undertaken on a regional basis (Martin Hill).
 - iii) Continue to scrutinise progress and improve performance against targets for Healthcare Associated Infection (Dorothy Moir).
 - iv) Continue to evaluate the impact of Health Improvement Interventions to refine practice and enable better targeting of investment (Dorothy Moir).
 - v) Continue to develop innovative approaches to make contact with, and meet the needs of, hard to reach and deprived communities (Dorothy Moir).
 - vi) Ensure that complete Smoking Cessation data is entered on the national database (Colin Sloey).

- vii) Continue to strengthen Primary and Community Care Services and shift the balance of care away from Acute settings where appropriate (Colin Sloey; Alan Lawrie; Ian Ross).
 - viii) Continue to sustain performance against current waiting time targets and make progress towards achieving future waiting time targets and elimination of Availability Status Codes in good time (Ian Ross).
 - ix) Reduce significantly cancer diagnosis and treatment times (Ian Ross).
 - x) Continue to refine the Workforce Plan and consider innovative solutions to recruitment and retention (Gordon Walker).
 - xi) Maintain sound financial management and keep in close contact with SEHD as NHS Lanarkshire continues to strive towards achieving financial balance (Susan Goldsmith).
 - xii) Reduce reliance on non-recurring resources (Susan Goldsmith).
2. Progress with each of the foregoing actions will be a feature of the performance management arrangements, overseen by the Corporate Management Team, and reported to the NHS Board, the Governance Committees and the Operating Management Committees.
3. Members are asked to note the letter from the Deputy Minister for Health and Community Care, the agreed actions and the arrangements for performance managing the delivery of those actions.
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