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BOARD INSIGHTS



Welcome to Board Insights, as members of the SHA Board, we all feel it's important to keep you updated with some of the work we are undertaking across the organisation and NHS Wales.

This edition comes from our our Independent Member,

Marilyn Bryan-Jones

Annwyl gyfeillion/ Dear colleagues,

I was delighted to be asked to share this Board Insights article with everyone, following the update in February from our Board Secretary, Chris Darling.

It's been a busy time of year as we go through our statutory end of year reporting arrangements. The challenges faced by the organisation have been responded to by providing excellent assurance and Governance which is illustrated by our current financial position at the end of the financial year.

Our SHA Board Meeting in March was a full agenda but included some key milestones for us as an organisation, including the approval of our IMTP 2023-26 and we heard from Audit Wales who discussed the findings from our first Structured Assessment.

I was particularly pleased to be involved in the development of the organisations Strategic Equality Plan, which the Board also approved at the meeting in March. We already ensure that there is Equity, Fairness and Equality in our organisation, but this will provide a framework of measurement against goals. It will also be permeated through all the work of the organisation. In addition, as the Board Champion for Equality, I was pleased to have been involved in the recruitment of the organisations first Equality Manager post.

Since the last edition of Board insights, we have held two hybrid Board Development session where we discussed the Boards Cycle of Business and forward look for 2023-24, we reviewed, and discussed our Risk Appetite in addition to having Deloitte join us for two workshops from our Board Organisational Development programme.

I am so excited at the extensive programme of work that is planned for the forthcoming year. It will support our vision of becoming to provide world leading digital services, empowering people to live healthier lives.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Chief Executive Officer, Executive Team and fellow Board Members, Corporate Governance team and all of our staff for the amazing work that you are all doing to make DHCW a tremendous organisation. I am very pleased to be part of the journey.

Marilyn Bryan-Jones.

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