

# North of Scotland Facilities & Capital Planning Group



**Welcome to our Second Issue of the North of Scotland's news update for Facilities & Capital Planning**

## What's New?

The team have been very busy delivering the Facilities and Capital Planning workstreams and working in collaboration with Facilities and Estates staff across the North of Scotland Boards.

**Catering**—The North Catering Strategy is in the final development stages and soon to be shared for wider consultation.

**Fleet**—Work continues to fit telematic devices across Highland and Grampian vehicles to improve driver safety and vehicle utilisation.

**Policies & Procedures (Estates)** —A new library has been created to share the North Estates policies and procedures and staff are encouraged to request access to and utilise this useful resource. Please contact Jill Beattie on [jbeattie1@nhs.net](mailto:jbeattie1@nhs.net) if you would like further information.

**Maintenance Service Contracts**—Estates and Procurement staff have met and identified collaborative working opportunities which will be developed and rolled out across the North Region.

**Cole Report**— This work stream intends to review building and design standards and practices and develop recommendation(s) about how the North could respond to the failings identified within Professor Cole's report.



**Read on to find out more about the Facilities & Capital Planning workstreams.....**



## Benefits Review Workshop

A North of Scotland—Facilities and Capital Planning Group meeting was held recently with representatives from the North and Regional Leads providing progress updates for each workstream. Further work will be carried out to review progress against each of the identified benefits and it is anticipated that this process will become standard practice over time. The group acknowledged that the North Facilities & Capital Planning have nurtured strong working

relationships and the desire to share good working practice is becoming embedded in our ethos. Whilst good progress has been made, some areas require greater focus to improve performance and action plans will be put in place to get the workstreams on track and ensure that benefits are realised.

### North Regional Asset Management Plan 2019 to 2029



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## Regional Asset Management Plan

The 2019 –2029 Regional Asset Management Plan has now been produced for the North of Scotland. The Plan covers the condition, management and investment required for Vehicles, Equipment, IT and Property. The Plan was presented to the North Chief Executives Group and was well received prior to going to each of the six Boards in the North for approval, culminating in the Shetland Board on the 12th February 2020.

In accordance with the Scottish Government Programme the RAMP was submitted to Scottish Government in December 2019 and that was achieved with the caveat that it would be subject to each Board approving the document.

Scottish Government's early response was extremely positive and sought our agreement to share the RAMP wider and use it as an exemplar for the other three Regional/Special Board plans. We are awaiting their formal response to our plan including a meeting to review its content.



## SCART

**SCART**— There have been two very productive workshops which have been well received by participants. A number of outcomes have been identified which will improve working practice and consistency to the application and reporting of SCART data

across the North Region. This workstream is being led by Gavin Payne, General Manager, NHS Grampian Facilities & Estates.

**Contact us.....***If you would like more information or keen to share ideas for improvement with the North of Scotland Facilities and Capital Planning team, please contact Paul Allen, (Programme Sponsor) - Director of Facilities and eHealth, NHS Grampian on paul.allen@nhs.net. Alternatively, Jill Beattie, Programme Manager can assist and be contacted on jbeattie1@nhs.net. Telephone: 07973 778396*