

## Greater Glasgow & Clyde NHS Board

### NHS Board Meeting

DATE: 17 April 2007

Board Paper No. 07/16

Report of the: **Director of Acute Services Strategy Implementation and Planning**

### **Developing a Design Action Plan within NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde: Process Outline**

#### **Recommendation:**

Members are asked to:

Note the proposed arrangements to address the requirements set out in the NHS HDL58 (October 2006) "A Policy on Design Quality for NHS Scotland" to develop a Design Action Plan.

## **1 Introduction**

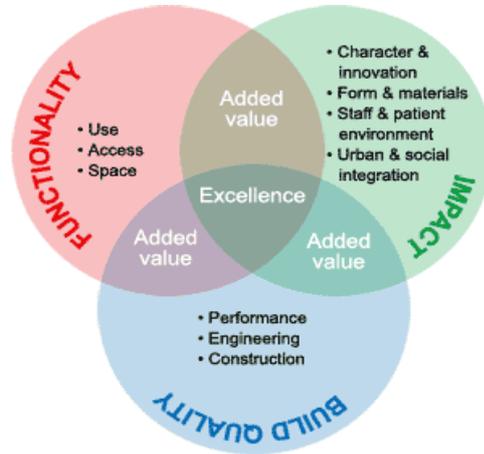
- 1.1 The NHS HDL58 (October 2006) "A Policy on Design Quality for NHS Scotland" outlined the requirements for NHS Boards to:
  - Identify named Design Champions who for Greater Glasgow & Clyde are, (Helen Byrne, Director of Acute Services Strategy Implementation and Planning and Tony Curran, Head of Capital and Planning & Procurement) and to produce a Design Action Plan.
- 1.2 The Design Action Plan is required to reflect the Board's commitment to achieving design quality and to set out the measures that the Board will take to deliver the Board's aspirations in delivering design quality.
- 1.3 An NHSGGC Design Champion Network with representation across all organisational entities has been established to co-ordinate development of the Design Action Plan. The Design Champion Network will formally report to the Acute Services Review (ASR) Board.

## **2 Design Action Plan**

- 2.1 The Design Action Plan is informed by a number of key drivers as outlined in the policy statement accompanying the HDL.
- 2.2 The Action Plan needs to recognise and take cognisance of the strategic and operational environment particular to NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde. The plan will build the Board's capacity to achieve 'good design' across all of its core functions.
- 2.3 The design of healthcare facilities needs to take account of a number of factors, including the important role that facilities play in shaping communities. Planning Authorities are increasingly keen to measure projects in terms of their "fit" within the local context, the extent to which there has been engagement with communities in shaping proposals and how developments can contribute positively in terms of social & economic regeneration, townscape and the physical environment.

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- 2.4 The Design Action Plan will form a systems based approach to support the ASR Development and Capital Development plans.
- 2.5 The scoping work to support the development of the Design Action Plan therefore requires to give consideration to the following issues:



- 2.6 The Design Action Plan will provide practical guidance to ensure broader social and environmental issues are considered alongside financial and clinical considerations for new developments.

### **3 Outline Process**

- 3.1 The local Network will meet on 4 occasions during 2007/8 to co-ordinate 4 key stages of activity:
- Scoping Exercise (March – May 2007)  
To review and agree the scope of the action plan, including: core elements, current activity and supportive mechanisms. This will include consultation with key decision makers.
  - Action Planning Session (June 2007)  
To ensure wider stakeholder involvement in the action plan development through a development event. The event will consider and agree the Vision for the action plan and facilitate early definition of objectives and work programmes.
  - ‘Testing’ of draft Action Plan (September 2007)  
To ensure the plan is fit for purpose, through focused consultation and review by the Network, a facilitated session will be undertaken with support from Architecture and Design Scotland (ADS).
  - Agreement of the Design Plan (October Board Meeting)  
The Network will sign off the draft Design Plan for consideration by the Board with subsequent submission to Architecture Design Scotland and the Scottish Executive Health Department in November 2007, in accordance with their timescales.

#### **4 Conclusion**

- 4.1 The development of a Design Action Plan will support NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde to consider design quality as a core component of the Capital Planning function.

#### **5 Recommendation**

- 5.1 Note the proposed arrangements to address the requirements set out in the NHS HDL58 (October 2006) “A Policy on Design Quality for NHS Scotland” to develop a Design Action Plan.