

RISK MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Board Meeting

18 April 2016, RMA, Paisley

Board Meeting Minutes

Present

Mr Peter Johnston (Convener)
Ms Elizabeth Carmichael
Dr Anne MacDonald
Mr Stephen Swan
Mr Chris Hawkes
Dr Katharine Russell
Mr Emcee Chekwas

In Attendance

Ms Yvonne Gailey, Chief Executive
Mr Paul Keoghan, Director of Business Performance

Apologies

Prof Hazel Kemshall

Declarations of Interest

1. The Convener called the meeting to order and asked Members for any declarations of interest.
2. The Convener noted there were no declarations of interest.

Minutes of Previous Meeting – 21 March 2016

3. The Board noted that the Board minutes for 21 March 2016 were not available.

Matters Arising

4. There were no matters arising noted.

Draft RMP Approval Process – Board Paper 530

5. The Convener presented the paper to the Board and stated as the paper had only recently become available it was recommended the paper be deferred to the May Board meeting.
6. The Board agreed to defer the paper to the May Board meeting and were informed that any feedback or queries in relation to the paper should be emailed to the Chief Executive.

Notification of Legal Action – Verbal Report

7. The Chief Executive informed the Committee of a letter threatening legal action. The Chief Executive informed the Board the letter criticised the RMA for not offering specific guidance to accredited risk assessors and others on the assessment of individuals with Asperger's syndrome. The Chief Executive advised that before a response is made the RMA will speak with the Equality Unit within the Scottish Government for advice and guidance on this matter.
Action: CE
8. The Board noted the verbal report and suggested the Chief Executive may also wish to seek advice from the Scottish Prison Service.

Any Other Business

9. No other business noted.

Date of Next Meeting – 16 May 2016