



Health and Social Care information Centre (ENDPB)

Board Meeting

Public Session

Title of Paper:	A new strategy for the HSCIC
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Purpose of the paper:	To provide an update and seek approval from the HSCIC Board for the new strategy for the HSCIC
Patient/Public Interest:	The document sets out our priorities, to inform the next planning and prioritisation round. This helps people understand the role of the HSCIC and how the HSCIC contributes to the transformation of health, public health and social care using information and technology.
Actions required by the Board:	To approve the strategy document for publication and discussion with our partners and stakeholders.

Introduction and background

1. The Board is aware that the HSCIC has been developing its strategic thinking over the last 3 months. This has been done mainly through internal discussions within Directorates and with the Leadership Team.
2. The document is attached for final review and approval.

The strategy – key themes

3. The strategy sets out a direction of travel based on the need to fulfill our statutory duties, and support our partners and customers. It also recognises the importance of the HSCIC's role on behalf of the health and social care system.
4. The strategic objectives are presented under these themes:
 - **Promoting trust through secure and interoperable services** - acting in the public interest by ensuring the robustness, effectiveness and the security of the information and data which flows across the whole health and care system;
 - **Delivering the national technology services** - developing and delivering the critical infrastructure that is used nationally;
 - **Providing information to support better care** - making available the information that citizens need to manage their own health and care and that organisations use to deliver, safe high quality care services;
 - **Supporting the wider economy** - contributing to the development of the health and care informatics industry and the wider UK economy.
5. All of these will be underpinned by our organisational development and transformational programme, aimed at consolidating the HSCIC as a high performing organisation that is recognised as an outstanding place to work.
6. Subject to the Board's approval, the strategy will be published on our website and shared with our key partners, stakeholders and customers to stimulate and inform our collective discussions about business plans and strategic direction.
7. A report will be brought to the next Board meeting providing the Board with an update on the discussions, comments and feedback about the strategy that the HSCIC receives.

Recommendation

8. The Board is asked to approve the strategy.