

## **Key Messages of the Closed Session of the meeting**

**held on 7 September 2020**

**Via Microsoft Teams**

### **Present:**

Maggy Heaton (Chair)	Board Member
Hayley Cooper	Board Member
Sam Turner	Board Member
Sally Young	Professional Committee
Carmel O'Boyle (Vice Chair)	Board Member
Mark Anthony	Board Member
Mike Travis	Trade Union Committee
Rosemary Wheeler	Board Member
Sharon Mason	Board Member
Alan Finnegan	Board Member
Jill Lloyd	Board Administrator
Estephanie Dunn	Board Secretary

### **In attendance:**

Danielle Scapens	Communications Manager
Paul Wood	Operational Manager

### **Apologies**

Alison Taylor	Board Member
Dave Dawes	Council Member

## **Key Messages**

### **Independent Health & Social Care Sectors Strategy**

Paul Wood, Operational Manager, explained that this was an opportunity for Board engagement with the new strategy and he gave an update on the current work that was being undertaken. Paul agreed to update the Board as this work progressed.

### **Board Funding**

Jill Lloyd, Board Administrator, gave an overview of the Board spending to date. Branch activity money and congress non-voting money had been underutilised this year due to physical branch events and congress not taking place. Branches are reminded to engage with the bidding process if they wish to apply for funding from the Board.

### **Board Elections**

The Board elections process closed on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September. Nominations are currently being ratified and the details of geographical areas that candidates have stood is not yet currently known. We do know however that we had eight seats up for re-election and only four members have stood. This means that another round of elections will need to take place before the end of the year. The position will be shared once known.

### **RCN Group Education, Learning & Development Strategy**

Dr Nichola Ashby, Head of Professional Learning and Development, gave an update and overview on this important piece of work via a short presentation. She explained how this was an opportunity for all members to engage in the new strategy. Links to the online feedback form and strategy have been shared prior to the meeting and Board members were encouraged to respond prior to the closing date at the end of the month.

### **Member Engagement Sessions**

The Board was informed that the region plans to hold Member Engagement Sessions going forward. Initially they will be set up and advertised to be held every fortnight. The meetings will be kept informal with no set agenda but will be a questions and answer session for members to engage with staff and board members.