

Dear All,

Following recent advice published by the Government, we have taken the decision to cancel the SSAB meetings until further notice and all the sub groups with the exception of the SAR group and panel where we have an item coming to a conclusion which will need a virtual meeting to sign this off.

Please continue to use the website where important notices and updates will be posted.

In terms of Covid 19 we are holding fortnightly meetings of the executive group to ensure any issues are understood and responded to. Again, where appropriate we will keep you informed. A note will be sent out later this week confirming the output from our most recent meeting. There will also be a separate note regarding COVID 19 with contact details for agencies.

The work of the Board and its Plan is very important, but we realise in these unprecedented times there are other urgent priorities and this must be the focus. We will continue to monitor the situation and reinstate these meetings as soon as possible.

Please continue to refer safeguarding alerts to the Mash and in these difficult times please be vigilant for those vulnerable people with care and support needs

If you have any questions or concerns, please come back to us.

I would like to like to thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Simon Turpitt', written in a cursive style.

Simon Turpitt
SSAB Independent Chair