



Purpose of Paper: Chairman's Accountability Report

For Noting

Period: 22 March 2025 to 23 May 2025

In this period, we said farewell to the outgoing Permanent Secretary Mr Peter May and I pay tribute to him for his service and commitment to the HSC throughout his tenure. We also welcomed and met his replacement Mr Mike Farrar CBE. Board members should now expect to see changes in both the areas of attention and the pace of change. There will be an expectation that members will pick up the challenges and seek out different and innovative solutions to the issues that have dogged us for some time. It should not need repeated here, but for the avoidance of doubt, this Trust Board needs to understand there is no more funding for healthcare from Westminster or from Stormont. We have a budget and we are expected to make every concerted effort to deliver savings and further efficiencies.

Trust Engagement:

- Visit Struell Lodge Downpatrick St Patricks Day Celebration
- Meet outgoing Permanent Secretary
- Meet new Permanent Secretary
- Chair meeting with new Permanent Secretary and SET Board
- Meet Chair RQIA
- Attend Annual Appraisal with Deputy Secretary DoH
- Meet Chair PCC
- Meet Chair Southern Trust
- Meet CEO Community Pharmacy
- Attend NICON Grasping the Nettle online Seminar
- Attend Retirement Event Laboratory Manager
- Meet Chair Western Trust
- Attend Minister's Finance Summit
- Meet Director of Sponsorship DoH
- Meeting Lisburn Adult Resource Centre
- Attend Midwifery celebration UHD
- Attend Foster Care Fortnight event
- Meet Chair Northern Trust
- Meeting with Permanent Secretary
- Participate in Trust Service of Remembrance
- Participate International day of the Nurse and Midwife Celebration
- Attend Deep Medical seminar online re DNA AI solution
- Meet with Independent Verifier on BGSAT
- Visit Struell Lodge Downpatrick

Associated Engagement:

- Attend 210 MMR working dinner
- Attend PSA/PCC Engagement Event
- Attend and speak at Michael Bloomfield's Retirement event
- Attend Public Sector Governance Conference
- Participate HoCS round table meeting on Public Sector Transformation
- Attend HIRANI Spring Tech Conference x 2 days
- Participate working dinner HIRANI Board and Guests
- Participate Public Sector Chairs Forum Committee x 2
- Attend NI Healthcare Awards
- Attend Report Launch at Royal College of Speech and Language Therapy
- Attend LCCC VE Day Celebration
- Attend LCCC VE Day Church Remembrance Service
- Attend Public Sector Chairs Forum AGM

NICON Engagement:

Chair Monthly Trust Chairs Meeting x 2
 Attend NHS Confederation Board Meeting London
 Chair NICON Management Meeting
 Attend RQIA Patient Safety Culture Framework Steering Group
 Attend NHS Confederation All Chairs Group online
 Attend DoH Senior Executive Landscape Review Oversight Group
 Chair Trust Chairs online meeting with Julia Simon
 Chair HSC Chairs Meeting with Minister

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