



Paper No. SET/77/18	
	Tick One ✓
For discussion	
For approval	
For information/noting	✓

Date of Trust Board Meeting: 28 November 2018

Confidential or Public Agenda: Public

Agenda item number and title: Report of the Audit Committee meeting held on 4 October 2018

1.0 Introduction

This paper provides a report on the last meeting of the Audit Committee held on 4 October 2018 chaired by Mr Brady.

2.0 Background information

The Trust Board has five committees, one of which is the Audit Committee. All committees are required to submit minutes of their meetings to the Trust Board and to highlight any key issues and/or areas of concern.

3.0 Brief summary of key points contained in the paper/s

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 October 2018 are attached, for information. There are no areas of concern requiring the attention of the Trust Board. Key issues discussed at the last meeting are detailed below:-

- Pre meeting briefing session – Mrs Caroline Fleming, Assistant Director, Financial Performance & Capital and Mr Cormac Daly, Costing & Commissioning Accountant attended the meeting and presented on the subject of Reference Costs.
- Routine business of the Committee.
- New Business – for approval/discussion:-
 - Draft Mid-Year Assurance Statement;
 - Letter from Mr Pengelly dated 15/5/18 regarding Travel Audit;
 - Letter from DoH dated 7/8/18 regarding Test Drilling Exercise;
 - Letter from DoH dated 6/8/18 regarding Validation Work in response to CFS Review of Domiciliary Care;
 - Letter from Mr Pengelly dated 6/8/18 regarding Further assurances on Domiciliary Care.
- New Business – for information/noting:-
 - BSO Governance Statement 2017/18;
 - Schedule of dates for Audit Committee meetings – 2019;
 - NIAO Media Releases – NFI Report 2016/17;

- Update – Gifts and Hospitality and Whistleblowing Policies
- Report from Internal Audit;
 - Regional IT Audit 2017/18;
 - Progress Report to Committee dated 4/10/18;
 - Update on Internal Audit Recommendations (follow up);
 - BSO Shared Services Summary Report;
 - Internal Audit Mid-Year Assurance Statement;
- Report from External Audit
 - Final Report to those Charged with Governance 2017/18.
- Report on Incidents of Theft /Fraud and Whistleblowing

4.0 Recommendation/s for the Trust Board (please state if the paper/s is for information/noting or for approval by Board members)

To note, for information, the minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 4 October 2018.

Lead Director: Mr N Brady
Designation: Chairman of Audit Committee, Non-Executive Director
Date: 14 November 2018