



Paper No. SET/21/19	
	Tick One ✓
For discussion	
For approval	
For information/noting	✓

Date of Trust Board Meeting: 20 March 2019

Confidential or Public Agenda: Public

Agenda item number and title: Report of the Audit Committee meeting held on 20 February 2019

1.0 Introduction

This paper provides a report on the last meeting of the Audit Committee held on 20 February 2019 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 20 February 2019 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:-

- The Chairman hosted his bi-lateral meetings with External and Internal Audit at 11.00 am and 11.30 am respectively.
- Routine business of the Committee.
- New Business – for approval/discussion:-
 - There were no items listed for discussion under this item
- New Business – for information/noting:-
 - SET Declaration of Interest Register;
 - Letter from NIAO dated 2/11/18 – Contracting Out of External Audit;
 - Letter from NIAO dated 21/12/18 – Contracting Out of External Audit;
 - NIAO Media Release dated 26/10/18 – EU Exit;
 - Letter dated 15/10/18 – DATAC – Post Project Evaluation and SET response;
 - Letter dated 15/10/18 – Deborah McNeilly – HSC Fraud Report/referrals to the Counter Fraud Service and SET response;
 - Letter from NIAO dated 11/12/18 – Audit of SET: Letter of Understanding;
 - Audit News, December 2018 – General Report on H&SC Sector;

- NIAO Media Release, December 2018
- Report from Internal Audit;
 - Progress Report to Audit Committee dated 20 February 2019;
 - Shared Services Update Report
- Report from External Audit
 - External Audit Strategy 2018/19 .
- 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 20 February 2019.

Lead Director: Mr N Brady
Designation: Chairman of Audit Committee, Non-Executive Director
Date: 13 March 2019.