South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust

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| **Paper No: SET/133/26** |
| **Trust Board Meeting: 30 September 2026** |
| **Public Agenda Item 2.2.1** |

| **Title of Paper:** **Designated Non-Executive Director Report: Maternity Services** | | | |
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| ~~**For Decision**~~ | **For Assurance** | ~~**For Information**~~ | ~~**For Discussion**~~ |

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| **1.0** | **Period:** |
| | **24 June 2026 to 30 September 2026** |
| **2.0** | **Engagements:** |
| | 4 September 2026 - Meeting with Director of Surgery, Elective Care, Maternity & Paediatrics, Brian McFetridge and Head of Midwifery, Shona Hamilton to discuss Maternity Services.<br><br>4 September 2026 - Attended Maternity Oversight Group meeting. |
| **3.0** | **Concerns Raised:** |
| | Request for review of status of open/closed actions/BAU of Maternity Action Plan against recent reports. |
| **4.0** | **Escalation to Board:** |
| | Nil |
| **5.0** | **Assurance:** |
| | Have you fulfilled the designated role assigned to you during this period?<br>Yes<br><br>Are you able to assure the Board that your engagement has benefitted patient safety and contributed to improvement?<br>Yes |

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| **Accountable Board Member:** | **Mrs Anne Quirk, Non-Executive Director** |
| **Date:** | **29 September 2026** |

**Reasons for Paper Presentation**

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| ***Decision*** | *Used when an item requires a formal agreement or endorsement by the meeting / committee members. Examples are approving minutes, budgets, proposals or policies. The author must ensure there is sufficient detail/data for the board member to make a decision. The board member must be content there is sufficient detail/data to make a decision otherwise it should not be approved.* |
| ***Assurance*** | *Used when an item can be measured against a certain criteria / standard. Examples are a project is on course with delivery or financial targets are being met. The author must ensure there is sufficient detail/data for the board member to be assured. The board member must be content there is sufficient detail/data or a plan to be assured otherwise they should state they are not assured.* |
| ***Discussion*** | *Used when an item is listed primarily for open discussion, brainstorming or gathering input from the members without requiring an immediate decision.* |
| ***Information*** | *Used when an item is presented for the purpose of updating or informing the attendees without requiring a decision or action, such as reports, updates, or announcements.* |