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Date of Trust Board Meeting: 26 May 2021
Confidential or Public Agenda: Public
Agenda item: Report of the Audit Committee meeting held on 12 May 2021, the Review of the Effectiveness of the Committee for 2020/21, revised Terms of Reference and Programme of Work for 2021/22.

1.0 Introduction

This paper provides a report on the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 12 May 2021 chaired by Mr Brady, Non-Executive Director.

2.0 Background information

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

Normally, the minutes of the Audit Committee are presented to the Trust Board at the next meeting following the Audit Committee i.e. 26 May 2021. However, as the last meeting had detailed discussion on the draft Annual Report and Accounts the minutes will not be released until the August Trust Board meeting after the Accounts are laid before the Northern Ireland Assembly.

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

Key issues discussed at the meeting held on 12 May 2021 are detailed below:-

- Routine business of the Committee;
- Draft Annual Report and Annual Accounts (including the Governance Statement);
- Review of the final revised versions of the Committee's Terms of Reference and Programme of Work for 2021/22 – approved at the meeting; and
- Review of the final revised version of the draft Report of the Review of the Effectiveness of the Committee for 2020/21 – approved at the meeting;
- Draft Annual Report of the Audit Committee for 2020/21 (to be presented to Trust Board at its June meeting);
- Report from Internal Audit; and
- Report from External Audit

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

Trust Board is asked to approved the revised Terms of Reference (SET/34a/21) and Programme of Work (SET/34b/21) as agreed at the meeting held on 12 May 2021 and to note, for information, the report of the Review of Effectiveness of the Audit Committee for 2020/21 (SET/33b/21).

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 2021 will be submitted to the Trust Board at its meeting in August 2021.

Lead Director: Mr Noel Brady

Designation: Chairman of Audit Committee, Non-Executive Director

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