











#### TRUST BOARD

Title: KEY ISSUES AND ESCALATION POINTS

Name of Committee: Charitable Funds Committee

Committee Chair: Gary Tubb

Meeting Date: 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022

## Summary of key messages:

The following key reports were covered at the last meeting:

- Summary of Charitable activities across the main funds and Dreamdrops
- Overview of the financial activities and balances for the year

The Committee discussed how the NHS Charities Together funds totalling £150k were utilised during the year, including extra provision of various wellbeing and celebration activities and gifts, and the general view was these were received with appreciation.

There was also a further discussion regarding the Trust's awareness of the cost of living crisis having an increasing impact on digital deprivation for citizens and accessing our services. There were currently no evidence to indicate this was emerging as an issue but there was agreement to understand at a system level any potential impact and potential approach to support initially through awareness within our services.

For future meetings, the Committee would like to understand in greater detail the various support activities and where applicable understand the benefits. This was raised as specifically in relation to the staff gym equipment recently provided at The Poynt in Luton.

Service Operation plans would include references to the support where applicable Charitable Funds could be used and ensuring increased awareness with staff.

#### **Escalation Points:**

There were no points for escalation to the Board.

# **Emerging Risks/Issues:**

None

### **Examples of Outstanding Practice or Innovation:**

None

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