



TRUST BOARD

Title: KEY ISSUES AND ESCALATION POINTS
Name of Committee: Audit Committee
Committee Chair: Geoff Lambert
Meeting Date: 14 January 2019

Summary of key messages:

The committee received updates on the following areas:

- Local Counter Fraud Services
- Internal Audit
- External Audit
- Waivers and special payments
- Final accounts timetable
- Annual quality assurance update from the Chief Nurse
- Trustwide Integrated Reporting
- Annual review of all current risks
- Annual effectiveness review

The committee was briefed on the *Key Financial Controls – General Ledger, Accounts Receivable and Payroll* audit report that had been finalised since the previous Audit Committee meeting with an opinion of Reasonable Assurance

The Internal Auditors commended the improvement in implementation of internal audit actions. The Trust had achieved over 80% implementation rate.

The committee received Annual quality assurance update from the Chief Nurse and was assured on the Trust's clinical governance arrangements.

Escalation Points:

None

Emerging Risks/Issues:

None

Examples of Outstanding Practice or Innovation:

None

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