



## TRUST BOARD

**Title:** KEY ISSUES AND ESCALATION POINTS  
**Name of Committee:** Audit Committee  
**Committee Chair:** Geoff Lambert  
**Meeting Date:** 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021

### Summary of key messages:

The following key reports were covered at the last meeting:

- Internal Audit Progress Report, follow-up report and internal audit plan.
- External Audit update
- Waivers and Special payments
- Local Counter Fraud Service (LCFS) annual report
- The Board Assurance Framework (BAF)
- Conflicts, Hospitality and Gifts 2020/21 update
- Updated Risk Management Policy for approval

Committee received updates on the BAF outlining changes made since the previous reporting to the Committee. The updated assurance matrix outlined areas which are paused due to COVID-19, noting that the risks relating to Covid-19 were reviewed weekly by the Trust Incident Management Team and approved by Trust Executives.

There were only minor amendments with the policy which required approval including the new Government Functional Standard 013 for reporting and monitoring Local Counter Fraud risks.

The Trust was compliant with the Counter Fraud Functional Standard Return (CFFSR).

### 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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