

COVER SHEET

Meeting and Date of meeting	<i>Trust Board 3rd April 2025</i>	
Title of paper	<i>Trust Board Scheme of Delegation to Committees</i>	
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This paper sits within the Trust Board role of:	Accountability	
This paper is presented for:	Approval <i>(Notes on completion at end of document)</i>	
Links to Trust Corporate Objectives	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unscheduled Care Transformation and Reform
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Improved Access to Services
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Focus on developing services provided in the Community
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ensure Safe Services while delivering financial recovery
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Strengthen Financial and Governance Systems
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Digital Readiness
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sustainability of Our Estate
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Embedding Our Co-production Approach
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Delivery of Year 3 of Our People Framework



The report author will complete this report cover sheet fully. The Accountable Director must satisfy themselves that the cover sheet is accurate and fully reflects the report. The expectation is that the Accountable Director has read and agreed the content (cover sheet and report).

Its purpose is to provide the Trust Board/Committee with a clear summary of the report/paper being presented, how it impacts on the people we serve and the key matters for attention and the ask of the Trust Board/Committee

1. Reason for Presentation of Paper / Report

To annually approve a Trust Board Scheme of Delegation to its Committees in line with good governance practice.

2. Detailed summary of paper contents:

To ensure the Trust Board fulfils its seven key functions for which it is held accountable by the Department of Health on behalf of the Minister, it is currently supported by seven Committees to which it has delegated specific powers. Each Committee operates under clear terms of reference and lines of reporting and accountability.

3. Areas of improvement/achievement:

Following a review of its governance arrangements, a total of seven new and revised Committees are in operation to further improve the effectiveness of the Board and strengthen the Trust's integrated governance and assurance structure.

The role and remit of each Committee is kept under regular review.

4. Areas of concern/risk/challenge:

The overall Scheme of Delegation will be subject to further review and update as part of the current work on the revision of the Trust's Standing Orders and Standing Financial Instructions.

5. Impact on Statutory Duties: Provide details on the impact of the following and how.	
<i>Financial Impact</i>	<i>Safety and Quality Impact</i>
Click for Options	Click for Options
6. Risk Assessment (Risk level and state if a risk assessment be completed)	
7. Other Business Intelligence/data (If appropriate)	
8. Impact: Provide details on the impact of the following and how. If this is N/A you should explain why this is an appropriate response.	
Corporate Risk Register	No corporate risk register impact to be considered
Board Assurance Framework	Role of Committees contained within the Board Assurance Framework
Equality and Human Rights	No equality or human rights impact to be considered

Reasons for Paper Presentation

<i>Approval</i>	<i>Used when an item requires a formal agreement or endorsement by the meeting / committee members. Examples are approving minutes, budgets, proposals or policies.</i>
<i>Assurance</i>	<i>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.</i>
<i>Information</i>	<i>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.</i>
<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Used when an item is listed primarily for open discussion, brainstorming or gathering input from the members without requiring an immediate decision.</i>