

Minutes of the Board Meeting Part 2 - Confidential
Thursday, 26 May 2016 - Southside, London

Present:

Professor Sir Malcolm Grant	Chairman
Simon Stevens	Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
David Roberts	Vice-Chairman and Interim Audit & Risk Assurance and Commissioning Committee Chairman
Lord Victor Adebawale	Non-Executive Member
Professor Sir John Burn	Non-Executive Member
Noel Gordon	Non-Executive Member and Specialised Services Commissioning Committee Chairman
Michelle Mitchell	Non-Executive Member
Richard Barker	Interim National Director: Commissioning Operations (ND: CO)
Paul Baumann	Chief Financial Officer (CFO)
Professor Jane Cummings	Chief Nursing Officer (CNO)
Sir Bruce Keogh	National Medical Director (NMD)
Ian Dodge	National Director: Commissioning Strategy (ND:CS)
Karen Wheeler	National Director: Transformation and Corporate Operations (ND:TCO)

Apologies:

Wendy Becker	Non-Executive Member
Dame Moira Gibb	Non-Executive Member and Investment Committee Chairman

In Attendance:

Tom Easterling	Chairman's and Chief Executive's Office
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Secretariat:

Lesley Tillotson	Board Secretary
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1.	Opening Administration
1.1.	Apologies were received from Wendy Becker, Non-Executive Member, and Dame Moira Gibb, Non-Executive Member. There were no declarations of interest over and above those held on record.
2.	Minutes of Previous Meeting
2.1.	The minutes of the meeting held on 31 March 2016 were accepted as an accurate record. There were no matters arising.
3.	Commissioning Round 2016/17 Update
3.1.	Richard Barker informed the Board that the vast majority of CCG contracts were now signed, along with most specialised commissioning contracts. NHS Improvement continues to work with the Provider sector to reduce the current financial risk within the system. Simon Stevens and Paul Baumann outlined the current risks to delivering a balanced NHS financial position in 2016/17, which would require clear cut incremental action on provider

	control totals by NHS Improvement and the Department of Health. At the present time, a gap of £500m was yet to be resolved by NHS Improvement/Department of Health.
4.	Draft Mandate Assurance Report
4.1.	Ian Dodge informed the Board that this assurance report is the last report on NHS England's performance against the 2015/16 Mandate. [TEXT REDACTED], and has also been considered by NHS England's Audit and Risk Assurance Committee by correspondence.
4.2.	The Board discussed the Draft Mandate Assurance Report and noted the update provided.
5.	Draft Annual Report and Accounts
5.1.	Karen Wheeler reminded the Board that, as set out in legislation, NHS England and all Clinical Commissioning Groups must produce an annual report and accounts, including a governance statement. The draft annual report presented to the Board today was reviewed by the Audit and Risk Assurance Committee on 10 May and has also been reviewed by national directors and other senior staff.
5.2.	The Board discussed the draft annual report and approved the delegation of sign off to the Chairman and Chief Executive, upon recommendation from the Chairman of the Audit and Risk Assurance Committee.
6.	Review of Board Agendas – July 2016
6.1.	The draft agendas for the Board meetings in July were approved.
7.	Any Other Business
7.1.	Karen Wheeler updated the Board on the incident within Shared Business Services (SBS), reminding the Board that SBS no longer carry out the primary care support services function on behalf of NHS England – Capita had taken over that responsibility on 1 April 2016 and now run the entire service. The national team, which includes senior clinicians, have made progress and the process of repatriating the correspondence to the relevant GP practice has begun. SBS' own auditors have carried out an internal investigation, and NHS England's internal audit team have been working with them on this. The Board noted the update.
7.2.	TEXT REDACTED
7.3.	The Chairman closed the meeting by noting his thanks to Richard Barker for his work as Interim National Director: Commissioning Operations over the last five months.