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SCHEME OF DELEGATION

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2. Introduction

2.1 Reservation of Powers

Section 4 of the Trust's Standing Orders for the Board of Directors states that "The Board of Directors may make arrangements for the exercise, on behalf of the Trust of any of its functions by a committee, or sub-committee, appointed by virtue of Standing Order 5.1 or 5.2, or by a Director or an Officer of the Trust in each case subject to such restrictions and conditions as the Board of Directors thinks fit". The Code of Conduct of Accountability in the NHS also requires that there should be a formal schedule of matters specifically reserved to the Board of Directors of the Foundation Trust.

The purpose of this document is to detail how the powers are reserved to the Board of Directors, while at the same time delegating to the appropriate level the detailed application of Foundation Trust policies and procedures. However, the Board of Directors remains accountable for all of its functions, even those delegated to committees, sub committees, individual directors or officers and would therefore expect to receive information about the exercise of delegated functions to enable it to maintain a monitoring role.

2.2 Role of the Chief Executive

All powers of the Foundation Trust, which have not been retained as reserved by the Board of Directors or delegated to an executive committee or sub-committee, shall be exercised on behalf of the Board of Directors by the Chief Executive. The Chief Executive shall prepare a Scheme of Delegation identifying which functions he/she shall perform personally and which functions have been delegated to other directors and officers for operational responsibility.

All powers delegated by the Chief Executive can be re-assumed by him/her should the need arise.

2.3 Appropriate Use of Delegated Powers

Powers are delegated to directors and officers on the understanding that they would exercise their delegated powers in an appropriate manner which in their judgement would not be a cause for public concern.

2.4 Absence of Directors or Officers to Whom Powers have been Delegated

In the absence of a director or officer to whom powers have been delegated, those powers shall be exercised by that director or officer's superior unless alternative arrangements have been approved by the Board of Directors. If the Chief Executive is absent, powers delegated to him/her may be exercised by the nominated officer acting in his/her absence after taking appropriate advice from the Chief Financial Officer. In the absence of the Chief Financial Officer, appropriate advice should be sought from the Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

3. RESERVATION OF POWERS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

3.1 Accountability

The Code of Conduct of Accountability in the NHS, which has been adopted by the Foundation Trust, requires the Board of Directors to determine those matters on which decisions are reserved unto itself. These reserved matters are set out in paragraphs 3.2 to 3.9 below:

3.2 General Enabling Provision

The Board of Directors may determine any matter, for which it has authority, it wishes in full session within its statutory powers.

3.3 Regulations and Control

The Board of Directors remains accountable for all of its functions, even those delegated to individual committees, sub-committees, directors or officers and would therefore expect to receive information about the exercise of delegated functions to enable it is maintain a monitoring role. These following are decisions reserved to the board:

- Approval of Standing Orders (SOs), a schedule of matters reserved to the Board of Directors and Standing Financial Instructions for the regulation of its proceedings and business.
- Suspend Standing Orders.
- Vary or amend the Standing Orders.
- Ratification of any urgent decisions taken by the Chair and Chief Executive in accordance with SO 6.5.
- Approval of a scheme of delegation of powers from the Board of Directors to committees.
- Requiring and receiving the declaration of Directors' interests which may conflict with those of the Foundation Trust and determining the extent to which that director may remain involved with the matter under consideration.
- Requiring and receiving the declaration of officers' interests which may conflict with those of the Foundation Trust.
- Adoption of the organisational structures, processes and procedures to facilitate the discharge of business by the Foundation Trust and to agree modifications thereto.
- To receive reports from committees including those which the Foundation Trust is required by the Constitution and the Health and Social Care Act 2012 or other regulation to establish and to take appropriate action thereon.
- To confirm the recommendations of the Foundation Trust's committees where the committees do not have executive powers.
- Approval of arrangements relating to the discharge of the Foundation Trust's responsibilities as a corporate trustee for funds held on trust.
- To establish terms of reference and reporting arrangements of all committees and sub-committees that are established by the Board of Directors.
- Approval of arrangements relating to the discharge of the Foundation Trust's responsibilities as a bailer for patients' property.
- Authorise use of the seal.
- Ratify or otherwise instances of failure to comply with Standing Orders brought to the Chief Executive's attention.
- Disciplining Board members or employees that report to the Chief Executive, who are breach of

Statutory Requirements or Standing Orders.

3.4 Appointments / Dismissal

- Appointment of the Vice Chair / Senior Independent Director of the Board of Directors.
- The appointment and dismissal of committees (and individual members) that are directly accountable to the Board of Directors.
- Confirm the appointment of members of any committee of the Foundation Trust as representatives on outside bodies.

3.5 Policy Determination

The approval of Foundation Trust management policies including People / Human Resources policies incorporating the arrangements for the appointment, dismissal and remuneration of staff.

3.6 Strategy and Business Plans and Budgets

- Definition of the strategic aims and objectives of the Foundation Trust.
- Approval and monitoring of the Foundation Trust's policies and procedures for the management of risk.
- Approve Business Cases for Capital Investment with significant capital expenditure commitments according to the limits set out in Table B.
- Approve budgets.
- Approve annually the Foundation Trust's proposed business plan including operational budgets and capital expenditure programme.
- Ratify proposals for acquisition, disposal or change of use of land and/or buildings.
- Approve proposals on individual contracts, including purchase orders (other than NHS contracts) of a capital or revenue nature amounting to, or likely to amount to the limits specified in Table B (Financial Limits) of the Scheme of Delegation.
- Approve proposals in individual cases for the write off of losses or making of special payments above the limits of delegation (Table B) to the Chief Executive and Chief Financial Officer.
- Approve proposals for action on litigation against or on behalf of the Foundation Trust where the likely financial impact is expected to exceed the limits specified in Table B, or contentious or novel or likely to lead to extreme adverse publicity, excluding claims covered by the NHS risk pooling schemes.
- Review use of NHS risk pooling schemes.

3.7 Audit Arrangements

To receive recommendations regarding the appointment (and where necessary dismissal) of the internal and external auditors. The appointment or removal of the external auditors must be ratified by the Council of Governors.

3.8 Annual Reports and Accounts

• Receipt and approval of the Foundation Trust's Annual Report, Annual Accounts and Quality Accounts prior to submission to NHS England and subsequent presentation to the Council of Governors at a

Members Meeting.

• Receipt and approval of the Annual Report and Accounts for funds held on trust.



- Receipt of such reports as the Board of Directors sees fit from committees in respect of their exercise of powers delegated.
- Continuous appraisal of the affairs of the Foundation Trust by means of the provision to the Board of Directors as the Board of Directors may require from directors, committees, and officers of the Foundation Trust as set out in management policy statements.
- Receive reports from the Chief Financial Officer on financial performance against budget and business plan and receive the minutes of the Finance Committee.

4 DELEGATION OF POWERS TO COMMITTEES

4.1 Delegation to Committees

The Board of Directors may determine that certain of its powers shall be exercised by Standing Committees. The composition and terms of reference of such committees shall be that approved by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall determine the reporting requirements in respect of these committees. In accordance with SO 6, committees may not delegate executive powers to sub-committees unless expressly authorised by the Board of Directors. Terms of Reference for these Standing Committees shall be approved by the Board of Directors.

5 SCHEME OF DELEGATION TO OFFICERS

5.1 Delegation

Standing Orders and Standing Financial Instructions set out in some detail the financial responsibilities of the Chief Executive, the Chief Financial Officer and other directors.

Delegated matters in respect of decisions that may have a far-reaching effect must be reported to the Chief Executive. The delegation tables shown below highlight current delegated authority and limits.

Table A - Delegated Authority Table B - Delegated Financial Limits

Delegation to lower levels is only permitted with written approval of the Chief Executive who will, before authorising such delegation, consult with other Senior Managers as appropriate.

DELEGATED AUTHORITY

De	elegated Matter	Authority Delegated To	Operational Responsibility / Authority
1.	Standing Orders / Standing Financial Instructions		
a)	Final authority in interpretation of Standing Orders	Chair	Chair
b)	Notifying Directors and employees of their responsibilities within the Standing Orders and Standing Financial Instructions, and ensuring that they understand the responsibilities	Chief Executive	All Line Managers
c)	Responsibility for security of the Foundation Trust's property, avoiding loss, exercising economy and efficiency in using resources and conforming with Standing Orders, Standing Financial Instructions (SFIs) and financial procedures	Chief Executive	All Directors and Employees
d)	Suspension of Standing Orders	Board of Directors	Board of Directors
e)	Review suspension of Standing Orders	Audit and Assurance Committee	Audit and Assurance Committee
f)	Variation or amendment to Standing Orders	Board of Directors	Board of Directors
g)	Emergency powers relating to the authorities retained by the Board of Directors	Chair and Chief Executive with two non-executives	Chair and Chief Executive with two non-executives
h)	Disclosure of non-compliance with Standing Orders to the Chief Executive (report to the Board of Directors)	All	All
i)	Disclosure of non-compliance with SFIs to the Chief Financial Officer (report to the Audit and Assurance Committee)	All	All
j)	Advice on interpretation or application of SFIs and this Scheme of Delegation	Chief Financial Officer	Chief Financial Officer / Internal Audit

Table A

De	elegated Matter	Authority Delegated To	Operational Responsibility / Authority
1.	Audit Arrangements		
a)	Ensure adequate internal and external audit services, for which they are accountable, are provided (and prepare recommendations to the board for the replacement of either internal or external audit. NB. Whilst the board can unilaterally replace the internal auditor, the Council of Governors has to ratify the replacement or removal of the external auditor. See Section 3)	Audit and Assurance Committee	Chief Financial Officer
b)	Review, appraise and report in accordance with Public Sector Internal Audit Standards and best practice	Audit and Assurance Committee	Head of Internal Audit
C)	Provide an independent and objective view on internal control and probity	Audit and Assurance Committee	Internal Audit / External Audit
d)	Ensure cost-effective audit service	Audit and Assurance Committee	Chief Financial Officer
e)	Implement recommendations	Chief Executive	Assigned Officers
f)	Track progress of recommendation implementation	Chief Financial Officer	Risk and Assurance Manager
2.	Authorisation of Clinical Trials and Research Projects	Chief Executive or Chief Financial Officer and Medical Director	Research Governance Committee / Research and Innovation Director / Research and Innovation Manager
3.	Authorisation of New Drugs	Chief Executive	Medicines Management Committee
4.	Bank Accounts / Cash (Excluding Charitable Fund (Funds Held on Trust) Accounts)		
a)	 Operation: Managing banking arrangements and operation of bank accounts (Board of Directors approves arrangements) 	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
	- Opening bank accounts	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
	- Authorisation of transfers between Foundation Trust bank accounts	Chief Financial Officer	To be completed in accordance with bank mandate / internal procedures
	- Approve and apply arrangements for the electronic transfer of funds	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
	 Authorisation of: CHAPS schedules BACS schedules Automated cheque schedules Manual cheques 	Chief Financial Officer	To be completed in accordance with bank mandate / internal procedures

D	legated Matter	Authority Delegated To	Operational Responsibility / Authority
b)	Investment of surplus funds in accordance with the Foundation Trust's investment policy	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
c)	Petty Cash	Chief Financial Officer	Refer To Table B Delegated Limits
5.	Business Cases – including Tenders for Services Provided		
a)	Preparation of business cases / tenders	Chief Executive	Executive Directors / Divisional General Managers / Corporate Directors
b)	Approval of business cases / tenders which generate a positive financial contribution	Chief Executive	Refer To Table B Delegated Limits
c)	Approval of business cases / tenders which generate a negative financial contribution	Board of Directors	Refer To Table B Delegated Limits
6.	Capital Investment		
a)	Programme:		
	 Ensure that there is adequate appraisal and approval process for determining capital expenditure priorities and the effect that each has on business plans 	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer
	- Preparation of Capital Investment Programme	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer
	 Financial monitoring and reporting on all capital scheme expenditure including variations to contract 	Chief Financial Officer	Deputy Chief Financial Officer
	- Responsible for the management of capital schemes and for ensuring that they are delivered on time and within cost	Chief Executive	Deputy Chief Financial Officer
	- Ensure that capital investment is not undertaken without availability of resources to finance all revenue consequences	Chief Financial Officer	Deputy Chief Financial Officer / Head of Financial Services
	 Issue procedures to support: Capital investment Staged payments 	Chief Executive	Refer to Table B Delegated Limits
	 Issuing the capital scheme project manager with specific authority to commit capital, proceed / accept tenders in accordance with the SOs and SFIs 	Chief Financial Officer	
7.	Clinical Audit		
	Design, implement and monitor the Foundation Trust's Clinical Audit Programme	Chief Executive	Lead Clinician for Clinical Audit / Service Directors / Clinical Managers / Department Heads / Clinical Audit Department

D	elegated Matter	Authority Delegated To	Operational Responsibility / Authority
	Commercial Sponsorship	Authority Delegated 10	Operational Responsibility / Authority
0.	Commercial Sponsorship		
	Agreement to proposal	Chief Executive	Refer to Table B Delegated Limits
9.	Complaints (Patients and Relatives)		
a)	Overall responsibility for ensuring that all complaints are dealt with effectively	Chief Nurse	Divisional Clinical Chairs Divisional Directors of Nursing / Associate Directorate of Nursing, Patient Experience and Complaints
b)	Responsibility for ensuring complaints relating to a division / department are investigated thoroughly	Chief Nurse	Divisional Clinical Chairs / Divisional Directors of Nursing
C)	Medico - Legal Complaints Coordination of their management	Medical Director	Trust Solicitor
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a)	Review of the Foundation Trust's compliance with the Caldicott report on protecting patients' confidentiality in the NHS	Chief Executive	Chief Nurse / Caldicott Guardian
b)	Freedom of Information Act compliance code	Chief Executive	Senior Information Risk Owner
11	Data Protection Act		
	Review of Foundation Trust's compliance	Chief Executive	Senior Information Risk Owner
12	Declaration of Interest		
a)	Maintaining a register	Chief Executive	Director of Corporate Affairs
b)	Declaring relevant and material interest	All Directors	All staff
13	Disposal and Condemnations		
a)	Items obsolete, redundant, irreparable or cannot be repaired cost effectively	Chief Financial Officer	Refer to Table B Delegated Limits
b)	Develop arrangements for the sale of assets		
14	Environmental Regulations		
	Review of compliance with environmental regulations, for example those relating to clean air and waste disposal	Chief Executive	Associate Director of Estates and Facilities
15	External Financing		
a)	Advise Board of Directors of the requirements to repay / draw down Public Dividend Capital	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
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De	legated Matter	Authority Delegated To	Operational Responsibility / Authority
b)	Application for draw down of Public Dividend Capital and other forms of foundation trust funding	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
c)	Application for draw down of overdrafts and other forms of external borrowing	Chief Financial Officer	In accordance with the Treasury Management Policy
d)	Preparation of procedural instructions	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
e)	Private Finance:	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer – subject to agreement by NHSE
	 Demonstrate that the use of private finance represents best value for money and transfers risk to the private sector. Proposal to use PFI must be specifically agreed by the Board of Directors 		
f)	Leases (including property, equipment and operating leases)		
	• Granting and termination of leases with Annual rent < £100k	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer
	 Granting and termination of leases of > £100k should be reported to the Board of Directors 	Board of Directors	Chief Executive / Chief Financial Officer
g)	Finance leases (any value)		
		Board of Directors	Chief Financial Officer – subject to agreement by NHSE
	Financial Planning / Budgetary Responsibility		
a)	Setting:		
	- Submit agreed business plan to the Board of Directors	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer
	- Submit capital and revenue budgets to the Board of Directors	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer
	- Submit financial estimates and forecasts to the Board of Directors	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer
b)	Monitoring:		
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	- Delegate budgets to budget holders	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer / Prime Budget Holders
	- Monitor performance against budget	Chief Financial Officer	Executive Directors / Prime Budget Holders
	- Ensuring adequate training is delivered to budget holders to facilitate their management of the allocated budget	Chief Financial Officer	Deputy Chief Financial Officer / Head of Financial Management
	- Submit in accordance with NHSE's requirements financial monitoring returns	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer

Delegated Matter	Authority Delegated To	Operational Responsibility / Authority
 Meet reporting requirements of banking terms and conditions 	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer
 Identify and implement cost improvements and income generation activities in line with the Business Plan 	Chief Executive	All budget holders
- Monitor performance against the cost improvement programme	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer
Preparation of:		
- Annual Accounts	Chief Financial Officer	Deputy Chief Financial Officer
- Annual Report	Chief Executive	Director of Corporate Affairs
c) Authorisation of Virement:	Chief Financial Officer	Refer To Table B Delegated Limits
It is not possible for any officer to vire from non-recurring headings to recurring budgets, from capital to revenue / revenue to capital, or between NHSE Plan expenditure categories		
Virement between different budget holders requires the agreement of both parties		
17. Financial Procedures and Systems		
a) Maintenance and update of Foundation Trust Financial Procedures	Chief Financial Officer	Deputy Chief Financial Officer
b) Responsibilities:		
- Implement Foundation Trust's financial policies and co-ordinate corrective action	Chief Financial Officer	Deputy Chief Financial Officer
 Ensure that adequate records are maintained to explain Foundation Trust's transactions and financial position 		Deputy Chief Financial Officer
 Provide financial advice to members of the Board of Directors and staff 		Deputy Chief Financial Officer
- Ensure that appropriate statutory records are maintained		Head of Financial Services
 Ensure that appropriate statutory records are maintained Design and maintain compliance with all financial systems 		Head of Financial Services Deputy Chief Financial Officer
Design and maintain compliance with all financial systems 18. Fire Precautions		
- Design and maintain compliance with all financial systems	Chief Executive	
Design and maintain compliance with all financial systems 18. Fire Precautions Ensure that the Fire Precautions and prevention policies and procedures are	Chief Executive Chief Financial Officer	Deputy Chief Financial Officer

De	legated Matter	Authority Delegated To	Operational Responsibility / Authority
b)	Maintenance of IT asset register for items associated with other NHIS clients, including asset identification and monitoring	Chief Financial Officer	Chief Digital Information Officer
C)	Ensuring arrangements for financial control and financial audit of building and engineering contracts and property transactions are in line with the NHS Premises Assurance Model and latest guidance	Chief Executive	Associate Director of Estates and Facilities
d)	Calculate and pay capital charges in accordance with the requirements of the DHSC	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
e)	Responsibility for security of Foundation Trust's assets including notifying discrepancies to the Chief Financial Officer and reporting losses in accordance with Foundation Trust's procedures	Chief Executive	All staff
20.	Funds Held on Trust (Charitable and Non Charitable Funds)		
a)	Management:	Chief Financial Officer (supported by the Charitable Trustees)	Deputy Chief Financial Officer / Head of Financial Services
	Funds held on trust are managed appropriately	Tusices)	
b)	Maintenance of authorised signatory list of nominated fund holders	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
C)	Expenditure limits	Chief Financial Officer	Refer To Table B Delegated Limits
d)	Developing systems for receiving donations	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
e)	Dealing with legacies	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
f)	Fundraising Appeals	Charitable Funds Committee	Community Involvement Manager
	Preparation and monitoring of budget	Chief Financial Officer	Community Involvement Manager with advice from Head of Financial Services
	Reporting progress and performance against budget	Chief Financial Officer	Community Involvement Manager with advice from Head of Financial Services
g)	Operation of Bank Accounts:		
	Managing banking arrangements and operation of bank accounts	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
	Opening bank accounts	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
h)	Investments:		
	Nominating deposit taker	Charitable Funds Committee	Chief Financial Officer

De	elegated Matter	Authority Delegated To	Operational Responsibility / Authority
	Placing transactions in accordance with the Charitable Funds Investment Policy	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
21.	Health and Safety		
	Review of all statutory compliance with legislation and Health and Safety requirements including Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations	Chief Executive	Director of People / Head of Health and Safety
22.	Hospitality/Gifts		
a)	Keeping of hospitality register	Chief Executive	Director of Corporate Affairs
b)	Applies to both individual and collective hospitality receipt items.		All staff declaration required in Foundation Trust's Hospitality Register
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			Refer To Table B Delegated Limits
22	Infectious Diseases and Notifiable Outbreaks	Chief Executive	Chief Nurse
	Information Management and Technology		
24. a)	Developing systems in accordance with the Foundation Trust's IM&T Strategy	Executive Directors / Director of Health Informatics	Chief Digital Information Officer / Heads of Service in conjunction with IT
ч)		Service	advisors
b)	Implementing new systems ensuring that they are developed in a controlled manner and thoroughly tested		
c)	Seeking third party assurances regarding systems operated externally		
d)	Ensuring that contracts for computer services for financial applications define responsibility regarding security, privacy, accuracy, completeness and timeliness of data during processing and storage		
	Legal Proceedings		
a)	Engagement of Foundation Trust's Solicitors	Chief Executive	Director of People / Medical Director
b)	Approve and sign all documents which will be necessary in legal proceedings	Chief Executive	Any Executive Director
c)	Sign on behalf of the Foundation Trust any agreement or document not requested to be executed as a deed (i.e. any legal contract)	Chief Executive	Any Executive Director
26.	Losses and Special Payments		
a)	Prepare procedures for recording and accounting for losses and special payments including preparation of a Fraud Response Plan and informing Counter Fraud Management Services of frauds	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer
b)	Losses		Refer To Table B Delegated Limits

Delegated Matter	Authority Delegated To	Operational Responsibility / Authority
Losses of cash and cash equivalents due to theft, fraud, over	rpayment & others	
• Fruitless payments (including abandoned Capital Schemes)		
Bad debts and claims abandoned (e.g. private patients, overs traffic act claims)	seas visitors, road	
• Damage to buildings, fittings, furniture and equipment in use causes (e.g. fraud, theft, arson, neglect)	due to culpable	
General losses (e.g. linen and bedding, equipment, stores ite	ems)	
Un-vouched payments		
• Overpayment of salaries, fees and allowances		
Special Payments i. Clinical negligence after legal advice • Medical negligence ii. Non-clinical negligence • Personal injury iii. Other (Ex-gratia payments) • Compensation payments by Court Order • To patients/staff for loss of personal effects • Extra contractual payments to contractors		Refer To Table B Delegated Limits
 A register of all of the payments should be maintained by the Final and made available for inspection 	nce Department	Head of Financial Services
 A report of all of the above payments should be presented to the A Committee at least annually 		Head of Financial Services
	Chief Financial Officer	
27. Meetings	Chair	Director of Corporate Affaire
a) Calling meetings of the Foundation Trust Board	Chair	Director of Corporate Affairs
b) Chair all Foundation Board of Directors meetings and associated r	responsibilities Chair	Chair
28. Medical		
Clinical Governance arrangements	Chief Nurse	Director of Nursing Quality and Governance / Lead Clinician for Clinical Audit / Divisional Clinical Chairs / Service Directors / Divisional Directors of Nursing
Medical Leadership	Medical Director	Divisional Clinical Chairs / Heads of Service

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	Programmes of medical education		ו ולמע טו ואולעונלוו בעענגנוטוו
	Clinical staffing plans	Chief Executive	Heads of Department / Service
	 Matters involving individual professional competence of medical staff 	Medical Director	Divisional Clinical Chairs
	Medical Research	Medical Director	Research Governance Committee Chair / Research and Innovation Director / Research and Innovation Manager
29.	Non-Pay Expenditure		
a)	Maintenance of a list of managers authorised to place requisitions/orders and accept goods in accordance with Table B	Chief Executive	Deputy Chief Financial Officer / Head of Financial Services
b)	Obtain the best value for money when requisitioning goods / services	Chief Executive	Strategic Head of Procurement / Divisional General Managers / Heads of Department / Service
c)	Non-Pay Expenditure for which no specific budget has been set up and which is not subject to funding under delegated powers of virement. (Subject to the limits specified above in (a))	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer
d)	Develop systems for the payment of accounts	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
e)	Prompt payment of accounts	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
f)	Financial limits for ordering / requisitioning goods and services	Chief Financial Officer	Refer To Table B Delegated Limits
30.	Nursing		
a)	Compliance with statutory and regulatory arrangements relating to professional nursing and midwifery practice	Chief Nurse	Deputy Director of Nursing / Divisional Directors of Nursing
b)	Matters involving individual professional competence of nursing staff	Chief Nurse	Deputy Director of Nursing / Divisional Directors of Nursing
C)	Compliance with professional training and development of nursing staff	Chief Nurse	Deputy Director of Nursing / Divisional Directors of Nursing
d)	Quality assurance of nursing processes	Chief Nurse	Deputy Director of Nursing / Divisional Directors of Nursing
31.	Patient Services Agreements		
a)	Negotiation of Foundation Trust Contract and Non Commercial Contracts	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer / Strategic Head of Procurement / Head of Financial Business Intelligence
b)	Quantifying and monitoring out of area treatments	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Business Intelligence

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	Reporting actual and forecast income	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Business Intelligence
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d)	Costing Foundation Trust Contract and Non Commercial Contracts	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Business Intelligence
e)	Reference Costing / Payment by Results	Chief Financial Officer	Deputy Chief Financial Officer
f)	Ad hoc costing relating to changes in activity, developments, business cases and bids for funding	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Business Intelligence / Head of Financial Management
	Patients' Property (in conjunction with financial advice from the Head of Financial Services)		
a)	Ensuring patients and guardians are informed about patients' monies and property procedures on admission	Chief Executive	Chief Nurse / Divisional General Managers / Heads of Department / Service / Divisional Directors of Nursing
b)	Prepare detailed written instructions for the administration of patients' property	Chief Nurse / Chief Financial Officer	Deputy Director of Nursing / Head of Financial Services
c)	Informing staff of their duties in respect of patients' property	Chief Nurse	Divisional General Managers / Heads of Department / Service / Divisional Directors of Nursing
d)	Issuing property of deceased patients (See SFI 15.9, 15.10)		Refer To Table B Delegated Limits
e)	Repayment of cash held for safe keeping	Chief Financial Officer	Divisional General Managers / Head of Financial Services
33.	Personnel & Pay (excluding Non-executive Directors whose remuneration, terms and conditions are dealt with by the Board of Governors Nominations Committee)		
a)	Develop Human Resource policies and strategies for approval by the board including employee relations	Director of People	Deputy Director of People
b)	Authority to fill funded post on the establishment with permanent staff	Director of People	Budget Holders
c)	The granting of additional increments to staff within budget	Director of People	Director of People
d)	Develop training policies	Director of People	Deputy Director of People
e)	All requests for re-grading shall be dealt with in accordance with Foundation Trust Procedure	Director of People	Budget Holders
f)	Establishments	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer

Delegated Matter	Authority Delegated To	Operational Responsibility / Authority
Recurrent changes to establishment outside existing recurrent funding without identified recurrent sources of funding	Chief Financial Officer	Prime Budget Holders
Recurrent changes to establishment outside existing recurrent funding but with identified recurrent sources of funding	Chief Financial Officer	Budget Holders
Recurrent changes to establishment within existing recurrent funding	Director of People	Line Managers
Terminations		
g) Pay		
 Presentation of proposals to the Board of Directors for the setting of remuneration and conditions of service for those staff not covered by the Remuneration and Nominations Committee or national terms and conditions 	Chief Executive	Director of People
Authority to commit pay expenditure	Director of People / Chief Financial Officer	Budget Holders
Approval of completed variable pay claims forms	Chief Financial Officer	Budget Holders
Approval of travel and subsistence expenses	Chief Financial Officer	Authorised Signatories
h) Leave		
Annual Leave		
 Approval of annual leave Approval of carry forward up to a maximum 5 days (to occur in exceptional circumstances only) 	Chief Executive	Line/Departmental Manager Chief Executive / Executive Directors / Chief Operating Officer
 Approval to pay outstanding annual leave (except for leavers) 	Chief Executive	Chief Executive / Executive Directors / Chief Operating Officer
Special Leave		
 Compassionate leave Special leave arrangements for domestic/personal/family reasons Paternity leave Carers leave Adoption leave (to be applied in accordance with Foundation Trust Policy) 	Director of People	Divisional General Managers / Heads of Department / Service Divisional General Managers / Heads of Department / Service
• Special Leave – this includes Jury Service, Armed Services, School Governor (to be applied in accordance with Foundation Trust Policy)		Divisional General Managers / Heads of Department / Service

Delegated Matter	Authority Delegated To	Operational Responsibility / Authority
Leave without pay	· · · · ·	Divisional General Managers / Heads of Department / Service
Medical Staff Leave of Absence – paid and unpaid		Medical Director
• Time off in lieu		Line/Departmental Manager
Maternity Leave - paid and unpaid	Director of People	Automatic approval with guidance
Sick Leave		
Extension of sick leave on pay		Executive Director / Chief Operating Officer
• Return to work part-time on full pay to assist recovery		Divisional General Managers / Relevant Director / Deputy Chief Financial Officer
Study Leave		
Non-medical leave	Director of People	Relevant Executive Director / Delegated Budget Managers
Medical staff study leave		
- Consultant / Career Grade	Medical Director	Service Directors
- Doctors in training		Post Graduate Tutor
i) Removal Expenses, Excess Rent and House Purchases in accordance with Trust policy	Director of People	Director of People / Divisional General Managers
Authorisation of payment of removal expenses incurred by officers taking up new appointments (providing consideration was promised at interview)		
 j) Grievance Procedure All grievances cases must be dealt with strictly in accordance with the Grievance Procedure and the advice of the Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development must be sought when the grievance reaches the level of Chief Operating Officer / Heads of Department 	Director of People	Executive Directors / Chief Operating Officer / Heads of Department / Service
k) Authorised - Car Users		
 Leased car 	Chief Financial Officer	Payroll & Pensions Manager
 Regular/standard car user arrangements 	Chief Financial Officer	Line / Department Manager

Delegated Matter	Authority Delegated To	Operational Responsibility / Authority
I) Mobile Phone Users	Chief Financial Officer	Line / Department Manager
m) Renewal of Fixed Term Contract	See 33 (f)	See 33 (f)
n) Operation of Staff Retirement Policy	Chief Executive	Director of People / Divisional General Managers
o) Redundancy	Board of Directors	Remuneration and Nominations Committee
p) III Health Retirement	Director of People	Divisional General Managers
Decision to pursue retirement on the grounds of ill-health following advice from the Occupational Health Department		
q) Disciplinary Procedure		
Chief Executive	Chair	To be applied in accordance with the Foundation Trust's Disciplinary Procedure
Others	Chief Executive	Flocedule
r) Waiting List Payments		
 Approval of Rates of Pay 	Chief Executive	Chief Financial Officer / Director of People
s) Ensure that all employees are issued with a Contract of employment in a form approved by the Board of Directors and which complies with employment legislation.	Director of People	Deputy Director of People
t) Engagement of staff not on the establishment		
 Management Consultants 	Chief Executive / Chief Financial Officer	Budget Holders
 Management of use and booking of bank staff 		
a. Nursing	Chief Nurse	Budget Holders
b. Other	Divisional General Managers	Budget Holders
 Management of use and booking of agency staff 		
a. Nursing	Chief Nurse	Budget Holders
b. Other	Divisional General Managers	Budget Holders
34. Quotation, Tendering & Contract Procedures – Purchases		
a) Purchases:		

Delegated Matter	Authority Delegated To	Operational Responsibility / Authority
 Best value for money is demonstrated for all <i>purchases</i> 	Chief Financial Officer	Strategic Head of Procurement / Assistant Director of Estates and Facilities
 Nominate officers to oversee and manage contracts on behalf of the Foundation Trust 	Chief Financial Officer	Divisional General Managers / Heads of Department / Service
b) Framework further Competitions / Competitive Tenders:		
Authorisation Limits	Chief Executive	Refer To Table B Delegated Limits
 Receipt and custody of offers / tenders received 	Chief Executive	Strategic Head of Procurement
 Decide if late offers / tenders should be considered 	Chief Executive	
c) Quotations	Chief Executive	Refer To Table B Delegated Limits
d) Waiving the requirement to request competition (single tender waiver)		
 Framework competition or Tenders - subject to SOs 	Chief Executive	Executive Board Member
 Framework competition or Quotes - subject to SOs 	Chief Financial Officer	Prime Budget Holders
Reported to Audit and Assurance Committee		
e) Maintain contract register	Chief Financial Officer	Strategic Head of Procurement
35. Records		
a) Review Foundation Trust's compliance with the Records Management Code of Practice for Health and Social Care	Chief Executive Senior Information Risk Owner	Executive Directors / Divisional General Managers / Heads of Department / Service / Head of Data Security and Privacy / Senior Information Risk Owner
b) Ensuring the form and adequacy of the financial records of all departments	Chief Financial Officer	Deputy Chief Financial Officer
36. Reporting of Incidents to the Police		
 a) Where a criminal offence is suspected Criminal offence of a violent nature Arson or theft 	Chief Executive	Executive/Senior Manager On-call / Divisional General Managers / Heads of Service / Caldicott Guardian
 Other b) Where a fraud is involved (reporting to the NHS Directorate of Counter Fraud Services) 	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Internal Audit / Local Counter Fraud Specialist

Delegated Matter	Authority Delegated To	Operational Responsibility / Authority
37. Risk Management		
Ensuring the Foundation Trust has a Risk Management Strategy and a programme of risk management	Chief Executive	Director of Corporate Affairs
Developing systems for the management of risk	Director of Corporate Affairs	Risk and Assurance Manager
Developing incident and accident reporting systems	Chief Nurse / Executive Medical Director / Director of Corporate Affairs	Divisional Clinical Chairs / Director of Nursing Quality and Governance / Head of Health & Safety / Patient Safety Manager
Compliance with the reporting of incidents and accidents	Chief Nurse / Medical Director / Director of Corporate Affairs	All staff
Compliance with statutory safeguarding children and young people requirements	Chief Nurse	Named Nurse / Named Doctor for Safeguarding Children
38. Seal		
a) The keeping of a register of seal and safekeeping of the seal	Chief Executive	Director of Corporate Affairs
b) Approval of documents for sealing	Chief Executive / Chief Financial Officer	Director of Corporate Affairs Strategic Head of Procurement/
c) Use of seal in accordance with Standing Orders	Chair / Chief Executive	Chair Director of Corporate Affairs
d) Report to the Board of Directors at least quarterly	Chief Executive	Director of Corporate Affairs
e) Property transactions and any other legal requirement for the use of the seal	Chair / Chief Executive	Director of Corporate Affairs
39. Setting of Fees and Charges (Income)		
a) Private Patient, Overseas Visitors, Income Generation and other patient related services	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Business Intelligence
b) Non patient care income	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Business Intelligence
c) Informing the Chief Financial Officer of monies due to the Foundation Trust	Chief Financial Officer	All Staff
d) Recovery of debt	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
40. Stores and Receipt of Goods		
 a) Responsibility for systems of control over stores and receipt of goods, issues and returns 	Chief Financial Officer	Associate Director of Estates & Facilities / Strategic Head of Procurement / Chief Pharmacist / Head of IT
b) Stocktaking arrangements	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services
c) Recovery of debt	Chief Financial Officer	Head of Financial Services

 Table B – Delegated Financial Limits

All thresholds include the cost of non-recoverable VAT.

	Financial Limits (Subject to funding available in budget)		Includes
1	CHARITABLE FUNDS		
1.1	Expenditure Board of Directors (as Trustee) Charitable Funds Committee Chief Executive / Chief Financial Officer Fund Monitor and Manager Heads of Service	Over £100,000 Up to £100,000 Up to £25,000 Up to £15,000 Up to £4,000	Specific purpose funds only
2	LOSSES AND SPECIAL PAYMENTS		
2.1	Losses Board of Directors Audit and Assurance Committee Chief Executive / Chief Financial Officer - reported to the Audit and Assurance Committee	Over £100,000 Up to £100,000 Up to £25,000	
2.2	Special Payments – Non-Clinical Negligence (Clinical Negligence litigation payments managed by the NHSLA)		
	Chief Executive / Chief Financial Officer Director of Corporate Affairs - reported to the Audit and Assurance Committee	Over £10,000 Up to £10,000	Non-clinical Negligence payments by the NHSLA, through the RPST, subject to scheme excesses
2.3	Special Payments – Others (Ex-gratia payments)		
	Board of Directors Audit and Assurance Committee Chief Executive / Chief Financial Officer - reported to the Audit and Assurance Committee	Over £100,000 Up to £100,000 Up to £25,000	All subject to HM Treasury approval
2.4	Special Payments - made under legal obligation – not related to negligence claims		
	Chief Executive Director of Corporate Affairs / Director of People	Over £30,000 Up to £30,000	
3	HOSPITALITY/GIFTS		
	Director of Corporate Affairs	Over £50	Personal gifts or hospitality
4	PETTY CASH DISBURSEMENTS (authority to pay)		
4.1	Sundry Exchequer Items		Conditions:
	Chief Financial Officer or Nominated Deputy Petty Cash Imprest Holder	Over £150 Up to £150	On receipt of signed claim form from an authorised Budget Holder
4.2	Petty Cash Float Reimbursement		
5	Petty Cash Imprest Holder Petty Cash Imprest Holder Petty Cash Imprest Holder Petty Cash Imprest Holder PATIENTS' PROPERTY (INCLUDING CASH)	Up to £3,100 Up to £2,000 Up to £800 Up to £700	King's Mill total imprest balance Newark total imprest balance Mansfield total imprest balance Ashfield total imprest balance Conditions:
5.1	Inpatients and Discharged Patients		
3.1	Head of Financial Services	Over £250	On receipt of the appropriate Reclaim Form
	Petty Cash Imprest Holder	Up to £250	On receipt of a signed claim form from an authorised Budget Holder and the patient
5.2	Deceased Patients		
	<u>Testate</u> Chief Operating Officer / Head of Financial Services Chief Operating Officer / Head of Financial Services	Over £5,000 Up to £5,000	Copy of Probate required To the executor to the will on receipt of indemnity

	Financial Limits (Subject to funding available in budget)		Includes
	Intestate Chief Operating Officer / Head of Financial Services	Any amount	Letter of Administration required
6	QUOTATIONS AND TENDERS (SOs Section 9)		
6.1	Quotations		
	Strategic Head of Procurement	Over £25,000	Framework direct award or competition
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6.2	Strategic Head of Procurement Tenders	£5,000 to £25,000	
0.2	Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU)	Gov.uk Threshold	Works / Supplies & Services levels stated within
	Strategic Head of Procurement	Levels	the Gov.uk Procurement Policy Note : New
		Over £25,000	Threshold Levels
	Strategic Head of Procurement	(in compliance with	Competitive Tenders: Obtaining a minimum of 3
		EC Directives as	written competitive tenders for goods, services,
		appropriate)	materials, manufactured articles, rendering of services (including Management Consultancy)
			construction and disposals
7	REQUISITIONING GOODS AND SERVICES, AND APPROVING PAYMENTS		
7.1	WITHOUT AN APPROVED REQUISITION Revenue Expenditure (Relates to the term of the contract and includes		
7.1	VAT and contract extensions – not calendar year)		
	Board of Directors	Over £1,250,000	
	Finance Committee	Up to £1,250,000	
	Fundation Tenant	Un to 6250.000	
	Executive Team	Up to £250,000	Consultancy and Professional services expenses over £50,000 subject to NHSE approval where
			necessary
	Trust Management Team	Up to £100,000	Executive Board Members
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	Executive Board Members	Up to £100,000	Executive Board Members
	Prime Budget Holders	Up to £50,000	Divisional General Managers / Deputy Divisional
			General Managers / Clinical Chairs / Chief
			Pharmacist / Divisional Directors of Nursing / Deputy Directors reporting directly to Executive
			Board Members
	Delegated Budget Holders	Up to £25,000	Two per cost centre Ward Matrons / Heads of Department / Service /
			Specialty General Managers / Deputy Directors
			not reporting directly to Executive Board Members
	Ward/Department Budget Holders	Up to £5,000	Ward Leaders / Heads of Service / Department
7.2	Other Authorised Signatories Capital Expenditure	Up to £1,000	Non Pay expenditure only
7.2	Delegated Budget Holders	Up to the value of	One per cost centre
		the individual	All schemes to be approved by the Board of
		capital scheme	Directors
7.3	Private Financing Initiative Charges	the best of the set	
	Director of Strategic Planning and Commercial Development	Up to value of monthly charge in	
		agreed contract	
7.4	Mandatory Payments – regulatory charges		
	Chief Executive or Chief Financial Officer	Up to value of	Rates
7.5	Partnership Arrangements	assessed charge	CNST
1.5	Lead Executive Director	Within the Board of	Sustainability & Transformation Partnerships
		Directors approved	Mid Nottinghamshire Alliance
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8	CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND BUSINESS CASES – including external tenders for services provided, investments and disinvestments		
8.1	Total Project Value / Cost Implications		

	Financial Limits (Subject to funding available in budget)		Includes
	Board of Directors	Over £1,250,000	Advised by Finance Committee - over £25m subject to NHSE approval where necessary
	Finance Committee	Up to £1,250,000	Subject to Executive Team approval and part of approved Capital plan
	Executive Team Capital Oversight Group	Up to £250,000 Up to £100,000	Over £25m subject to NHSE approval where necessary
9	ASSET DISPOSALS		
9.1	Asset Register items (Net Book Value) – including accelerated depreciation		
	Board of Directors Chief Financial Officer - reported to the Audit and Assurance Committee Head of Financial Services	Any value Over £25,000 Up to £25,000	Land and Buildings All other assets All other assets
9.2	Non-Asset Register items (Replacement Cost)		
10	Chief Financial Officer - reported to the Audit and Assurance Committee Head of Financial Services Divisional General Managers COMMERCIAL SPONSORSHIP	Over £25,000 Up to £25,000 Up to £1,000	
10	Chief Financial Officer	Quer 65,000	
11	Executive Directors VIREMENTS	Over £5,000 Up to £5,000	
	Executive Directors / Chief Operating Officer / Chief Financial Officer Budget Holders	Over £5,000 Up to £5,000	Total Division/Department budget remains in balance Total Division/Department budget remains in balance