

AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	
Date of meeting:	4 th July 2019
Attendees:	Marie Perry (Chair), Harjinder Kang, Mike Lavery, Waseem Zaffar, Dinah McLannahan, Kam Dhami, Dave Baker, Grant Thornton: Mark Stocks, RSM: Asam Hussain and Bradley Vaughan, Julie Turley [committee support]
Apologies:	Pro Kate Thomas, Mike Hoare
Key points of discussion relevant to the Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data Quality - the outcome of the IQPR kitemark review was presented and the main highlights discussed. • Governance pack – issues discussed included: debt recovery, salary overpayments and the tender waivers review • Financial Systems Improvement Plan - the actions being taken to address on-going problems with the Oracle system were considered. • External Audit – the following 3 areas were identified for focus this year: financial systems, Unity and Midland Met, both build and transition plan • Internal Audit – key focus areas for 2019/20 were confirmed as: People Governance [appraisals and recruitment] and Quality and Safety Governance [safer surgery, safety plan] and IT Governance and Cyber Security.
Positive highlights of note:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant Thornton gave an unqualified opinion on the Trust's financial statements for 2019/20. The Quality Account also received a positive opinion. • Joined up working between the Finance and Overseas Visitors Charging teams had improved to improve timely invoicing and debt recovery.
Matters of concern or key risks to escalate to the Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
Matters presented for information or noting:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Counter Fraud progress report
Decisions made:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee approved the Trust's approach to national costing collection and was assured that the costing team were following central guidance and principles
Actions agreed:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An update at the October meeting on the Financial Systems improvement Plan • The Committee to track progress through the new Speak Up Scorecard to track progress

Marie Parry

Chair of the Audit and Risk Management Committee

For the meeting of the Trust Board scheduled for 1st August 2019