

Extension of Tenure of City-wide Governing Body GPs

Governing Body meeting

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Is your report for Approval / Consideration / Noting	
Approval	
Are there any Resource Implications (including Financial, Staffing etc)?	
Continued payments to existing City-wide Governing Body GPs. Maintaining resources pending future elections.	
Audit Requirement	
<u>CCG Objectives</u>	
Principle Risk 5 Organisational development to ensure CCG meets organisational health and capability requirements. 5.4 Inadequate adherence to principles of good governance and legal framework leading to breach of regulations and consequent reputational or financial damage.	
<u>Equality impact assessment</u>	
Not Applicable	
<u>PPE Activity</u>	
Not Applicable	
Recommendations	
The Governing Body is asked to approve the recommendation in the report	

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1. Introduction / Background

Earlier this year NHS Sheffield CCG commenced a process of internal review including reorganisation of the Executive, complemented by the Chair's review of the roles and responsibilities of the Governing Body GPs and incorporating the outcomes from the Stakeholder survey 2016. This internal review process continues and this coincides with the review of the election of the four city-wide Governing Body GPs, three of whose tenure will conclude on 30 September 2016 and the fourth on 1 January 2017. During this time of change it is important that the Governing Body maintains a level of continuity and stability and to achieve this it is recommended that there be an extension of tenure for the city-wide Governing Body GPs.

2. Extension of Tenure of City-wide Governing Body GPs

Extension of tenure can be carried out through a suspension of the relevant Statutory Order (2.2.4). The Constitution allows for the suspension by enacting of Standing Order, SO 3.9, through a 2/3 majority at a meeting containing at least 2/3 of the total membership of the Governing Body. The reason for the suspension would be recorded in the minutes and reviewed by the Audit and Integrated Governance Committee (AIGC).

It is therefore recommended that Governing Body suspend SO 2.2.4, Elected GP Representatives, until the conclusion of the CCG internal review. This will enable a consistent approach and mitigate the effects of a changeover in membership during the transitional period. It will also allow time for the CCG to conclude the internal review process, take decisions around changes to the Executive and Governing Body and approve changes to the constitution and hold elections if necessary. The existing elected GP representatives will continue to act as usual retaining their rights under the constitution over the Governing Body including the approval of any amendments to the constitution which may be sought to revise the position of GPs on the Governing Body.

3. Recommendations

The Governing Body is asked to Enact SO 3.9 and suspend SO 2.2.4, Elected GP Representatives, pending the conclusion of the internal review process.

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