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Title of paper Draft Terms of Reference for Governance and Audit Committee

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Recommendation

For **Approval**

For **Noting**

Introduction/Background

Attached are draft Terms of Reference for the Health and Social Care Board (HSCB) Governance and Audit Committee (GAC). The Terms of Reference for the Committee has been reviewed following a proposal to combine three current HSCB Committees (Governance Committee, Audit Committee and Joint Governance and Audit Committee) into one Governance and Audit Committee.

Issue

In the current structure items of business frequently need to be tabled at more than one Committee. This leads to duplication and upon review it is proposed to formally stand down the three existing HSCB Committees (Governance Committee, Audit Committee and Joint Governance and Audit Committee) replacing them with one Governance and Audit Committee.

Recommendation:

The Board is asked to:

- approve the draft Terms of Reference for the Governance and Audit Committee
- agree that the existing Audit Committee, Governance Committee and Joint Governance and Audit Committee can be stood down when the new Governance and Audit Committee is introduced.

Funding Requirements N/A

Assessments

Equality Screening Assessment	Attached	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rural Needs Assessment	Attached	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Data Protection Impact Assessment	Attached	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Signed | Patricia Crossan
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