### Ratification of Chair’s Action and Affixing of the Common Seal

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**Purpose**

This report details the Chair’s Action taken on behalf of the Board. It also advises of agreements that have required the affixing of the Public Health Wales NHS Trusts’ seal.

**Recommendation:**

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RATIFY ✗ CONSIDER [ ] RECOMMEND [ ] ADOPT [ ] ASSURANCE ✗
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The Board is asked to:

- **Note** the occasion where Chair’s Action was taken;
- **Receive assurance** that the actions were taken in accordance with Section 2 of the Standing Orders;
- **Ratify** the Chair’s Action to approve that the Board meeting on the 26 March be run via electronic / telephony means and not be held in public.
**Link to Public Health Wales Strategic Plan**

Public Health Wales has an agreed strategic plan, which has identified seven strategic priorities and well-being objectives.

This report contributes to all 7 of the Strategic Priorities and Well-being Objectives.

### Summary impact analysis

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<th><strong>Equality and Health Impact Assessment</strong></th>
<th>A specific Equality and Health Impact Assessment (EHIA) is not required in support of this report.</th>
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<td><strong>Risk and Assurance</strong></td>
<td>In line with the Standing Orders an assurance report should be provided to the Board detailing the affixing of the common seal. The report also provides assurance that when Chair’s action is taken it is taken in line with the Standing Orders.</td>
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<td><strong>Health and Care Standards</strong></td>
<td>This report supports and/or takes into account the <a href="http://example.com">Health and Care Standards for NHS Wales</a> Quality Themes Governance, Leadership and Accountability</td>
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<td><strong>Financial implications</strong></td>
<td>There are no financial implications as a result of approval of this report.</td>
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Purpose / situation

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Background

2.1 Chair’s Action
In accordance with Section 2.1 of the Standing Orders there may occasionally be circumstances where decisions that would normally be made by the Board need to be taken between scheduled meetings, and it is no practicable to call a meeting of the Board. In these circumstances, the Chair and the Chief Executive, supported by the Board Secretary as appropriate, may deal with matters on behalf of the board – after first consulting with at least two other Non-Executive Directors.

2.2 Affixing of the Common Seal
In accordance with Section 8 of the Standing Orders, the Public Health Wales NHS Trust Common Seal may be affixed and entered onto the Register of Sealing when the entry is signed by the Chair and the Chief Executive, and is witnessed by the Board Secretary and Head of Corporate Governance.

Description/Assessment

3.1 Chair’s Action
There have been one occasion since the last report where Chair’s Action was taken on behalf of the Board. The Chair’s Action approved that the Board meeting on the 26 March be run via electronic / telephony means and not be held in public. The action was taken in accordance with Section 2 of the Standing Orders.

3.2 Affixing of the Common Seal
Affixing of the Common Seal was taken on one occasion since the last report. This was taken in accordance with Section 8 of the Standing Orders and is reported in a separate Board paper contained within the agenda for the 26 March 2020. The seal was used in relation to an extension to the lease to part of the 2nd Floor, 14 Cathedral Road, Cardiff, CF11 9JL

Recommendation

The Board is asked to:
- Note the occasion where Chair’s Action was taken;
• **Receive assurance** that the actions were taken in accordance with Section 2 of the Standing Orders;

• **Ratify** the Chair’s Action to approve that the Board meeting on the 26 March be run via electronic / telephony means and not be held in public.