# 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:

- **RATIFY**
- **CONSIDER**
- **RECOMMEND**
- **ADOPT**
- **ASSURANCE**

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 the financial limit of the Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director of Finance and Operations to be increased to the CEO Delegated financial limit and DoR designated limits for the Deputy Director of Finance and Operations.
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="#">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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1. Purpose / situation

This report details 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.

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 the financial limit of the Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director of Finance and Operations be increased to the CEO Delegated financial limit and DoR designated limits for the Deputy Director of Finance and Operations.

3.2 Affixing of the Common Seal
There have been no occasions since the last report where the Public Health Wales NHS Trust Common Seal has been applied.

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 the financial limit of the Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director of Finance and Operations to be increased to the CEO Delegated financial limit and DoR designated limits for the Deputy Director of Finance and Operations