

Borders NHS Board**NHS BORDERS ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR 2015/16****Aim**

The Board is asked to adopt and approve the Statement of Accounts for the financial year ended 31 March 2016.

Background

The Board's appointed External Auditors, Scott-Moncrieff, confirmed to the Audit Committee on 13th June 2016 that NHS Borders had received an unqualified certificate on the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2016 in respect of their true and fair opinion and in respect of their regularity opinion.

Recommendation

The Board is asked to:-

1. **Adopt and approve** for submission to the Scottish Government, the Statement of Accounts for the financial year ended 31 March 2016.
2. **Authorise:**
 - (i) The Chief Executive to sign the Performance Report;
 - (ii) The Chief Executive to sign the Statement of Accountable Officers' responsibilities in respect of the Accounts;
 - (iii) The Chair and Director of Finance to sign the Statement of Health Board Members' responsibilities in respect of the Accounts;
 - (iv) The Chief Executive to sign the Governance Statement in respect of the Accounts; and
 - (v) The Chief Executive and Director of Finance to sign the Balance Sheet.

Policy/Strategy Implications	Not Applicable
Consultation	Not Applicable
Consultation with Professional Committees	Not Applicable
Risk Assessment	Not Applicable

Compliance with Board Policy requirements on Equality and Diversity	Compliant where appropriate.
Resource/Staffing Implications	Not Applicable

Approved by

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