

BOARD MEETING

Title	Board Committees Assurance Reports		
Paper Date:	02 July 2025	Meeting Date:	08 July 2025
Purpose:	Information and approval of Terms of Reference	Agenda Item:	14
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Executive Summary

Each Committee will provide an Escalation and Assurance Report to the Board with a summary of key points and to inform the Board of the extent to which the Committee was able to take assurance from the evidence provided and where additional information was required. A report will be provided for every meeting, although due to timing of meetings and publication dates for Board papers, there will be occasions where a verbal report will be provided with the written report presented to the subsequent Board meeting.

The focus for these reports is:

- To what extent are we assured we understand the position?
- To what extent are we assured by the ICB/Provider mitigations presented?
- To what extent are we assured by the System response to the issue?

The following reports are attached:

- Audit and Risk Committee meeting held on 19 June 2025.
- System Productivity Committee meetings held on 26 June 2025.

Action Required

The Board is asked to note the content of the Committee Escalation and Assurance Reports.

Conflicts of Interest:	No conflict identified
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Committee Escalation and Assurance Report – Alert, Advise, Assure	
Report From:	Audit and Risk Committee
Date of Meeting:	19 June 2025
Committee Chair:	Saqhib Ali
Key escalation and discussion points from the meeting	
Alert:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> n/a 	
Advise:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee approved the submission of the BOB ICB Annual Report 2024-25. The Committee approved the Statutory Accounts for the ICB for the period ending 31 March 2025. The Committee noted the Internal Audit report for the year ending 31 March 2025 which provided Significant Assurance overall. The Committee noted the External Audit report for the year ending 31 March 2025 which provided opinion against value for money and an audit of financial statements. The Committee accepted the Anti-crime Annual Report and Counter Fraud Functional Standard Return for the financial year 2024/25. BOB ICB was provided with an overall assessment of Green against the Counter Fraud Functional Standard Return. 	
Assure:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee received an updated Risk Management Framework which was carried forward and adopted on the basis of no substantive change. The Committee reviewed and noted the following governance documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conflict of Interest Annual Report 2024/25 Legal Status and Spend Update ICB Policy Update The Committee noted the update from the Information Governance Steering Group including the pending submission of the Data Security and Protection Toolkit and appointment of a new Deputy Senior Information Risk Owner. 	

Committee Escalation and Assurance Report – Alert, Advise, Assure	
Report From:	System Productivity Committee
Date of Meeting:	26 June 2025
Committee Chair:	Tim Nolan
Key escalation and discussion points from the meeting	
Alert:	
Risk reporting: improved and clear, underlying financial issue remains an ongoing concern.	
Advise:	
<p>Finance: reporting on plan; however, there remains some risk around CIP delivery with some remaining unidentified at M2.</p> <p>Operational performance: concerns around UEC at RBFT, Cancer 62-day combined performance is challenged and impact on SEND agenda due to challenges in community services.</p> <p>DDaT: £1.1m SCR cost pressure, pause on ICS digital strategy pending 10-year plan, service delivery generally good, development of ICS analytics capability in preparation for the Blueprint, ICS digital governance optimised. Short term business continuity issue on CSU BI service termination.</p>	
Assure:	