

# **Record of Urgent Decision**

Format:VideoconferenceDate:Monday 20 April 2020Time:1130hrs

# Decision taken by:

Kathryn Lavery (KL) Chairman Rod Barnes (RB) Chief Executive

#### In consultation with:

Stan Hardy(SH)Non-Executive DirectorJohn Nutton(JN)Non-Executive Director

# Also present

Mark Bradley (MB) Executive Director of Finance

# Decision recorded by:

Juliana Field (JF) Head of Corporate Affairs

### New / Replacement DCAs (Paper UA20.001)

In accordance with Standing Order 5.2\* the following decisions were taken:

- 1. To approve the commitment of capital expenditure in the capital plan for 2020/21 funded by CRL for:
  - DCA Conversions £1.7m
  - > 50 of 70 Stretchers included in plan £0.5m
- 2. To approve the submission of COVID 19 bid for £1.0m Medical & Communication Equipment for 29 new DCAs.

Prior to the decision being taken paper UA20.001 was circulated to all parties. The following points were discussed:

- The Trust Executive had fully considered the paper and was fully supportive of the recommendations presented.
- The recommendations represented a proactive approach to ensure available capacity, given the fluctuating situation in relation to the Covid-19 pandemic. This would enable the Trust to be in the best position possible to respond to any increase demand.
- What was the contingency plan should the bid to NHSE/I be unsuccessful? It was confirmed that 1) the vehicles could be utilised as replacements for older vehicles within the fleet, or 2) the Trust go 'at risk' against the capital resource limit (CRL).
- Were they any risks to going 'at risk' against the CRL? It was confirmed that guidance for 2020-21 capital was still awaited. However, it was anticipated that the risk of not receiving a capital allocation in 2020-21 was low.

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\*SO5.2 - Emergency Powers and Urgent Decisions The powers which the Board has reserved to itself within these Standing Orders (see Standing Order 2.7(5)) may in emergency or for an urgent decision be exercised by the Chief Executive and the Chairman after having consulted at least two non-officer members. The exercise of such powers by the Chief Executive and Chairman will be reported to the next formal meeting of the Board in public session for formal noting.