

## **Letter to Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust regarding unexpected deaths**

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### **1. Background**

- 1.1 On 8 September 2016 Norfolk Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (NHOSC) received a report on 'Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust (NSFT) – unexpected deaths – outcome of the Verita review and resulting actions'. The Chief Executive and Head of Patient Safety and Risk attended the meeting to present NSFT's action plans and answer Members' questions.
- 1.2 During the meeting some issues were raised that were not covered by the Verita review and, due to time constraints on the day, there were some questions that Members did not have the opportunity to ask or explore as fully as they would have liked.
- 1.3 NHOSC agreed to write to NSFT on these matters. Copies of the letter sent on 9 December 2016 and NSFT's acknowledgement received on 14 September are attached at **Appendix A**. NSFT has undertaken to provide a full response by 28 October 2016.
- 1.4 NSFT's response will be included with the NHOSC agenda papers for 8 December 2016 meeting. At that stage Members will be able to consider whether to invite NSFT to a future meeting.

### **2. Action**

- 2.1 NHOSC is asked to note this report.



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