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1. **Purpose**

1.1 The purpose of this document is to describe the Terms of Reference for the NHS Number Programme Board. In particular it will describe the roles and responsibilities of the members.

1.2 The purpose of the NHS Number Programme Board is to support and provide governance to the programme in successfully mandating the NHS Number across the NHS.

1.3 Specifically the Board will:

- Approve the start of projects via acceptance of a project brief;
- Agree tolerances under which the programme will operate;
- Approve the NHS Number Programme Initiation Document;
- Approve baselined plans for projects that come under the NHS Number Programme Board;
- Provide guidance and direction to the programme, ensuring it remains within given constraints;
- Review highlight reports and plans to ensure that the programme is delivering within agreed time, quality and cost criteria;
- Approve any changes or exception plans outside of agreed tolerances;
- Provide assurance that all products have been delivered to the correct quality and that they are fit for purpose; and
- Approve closure of the NHS Number Programme.
2. Responsibilities

2.1 The Board supports the NHS Number Programme by collectively taking responsibility for

- Confirming Department of Health and NHS Connecting for Health strategic aims, anticipating potentially difficult issues and outlining solutions;

- Working with the National Patient Safety Agency (NPSA) to ensure full coverage of the patient safety aspects of the NHS Number as the unique patient identifier;

- Review and sign off NHS Number Business Plans;

- Supporting requests for financial and human resources for this programme;

- Monitoring and managing programme performance, and aspiring to best practice in programme governance;

- Expediting NHS Number Programme business and the delivery of pan programme objectives;

- Overseeing a system of prudent and effective controls as specified by NHS Connecting for Health quality control system;

- Assessing and managing programme level risks and issues, specifically those rated at 2C and above; and

- Protecting and enhancing the NHS Number Programme reputation.
3. **Mode of Operation**

**Frequency**

3.1 The NHS Number Programme Board will meet every month.

**Secretariat**

3.2 The NHS Number Programme Board will be supported by resource within the NHS Numbers programme.

3.3 The Board papers will be distributed one week before the Board meeting is to take place.

3.4 Additional agenda items will be requested two weeks before the Board meeting is to take place.

3.5 The Project Support Officer will minute Board meetings and send to the Chair of the Board for approval no later than two working days after the meeting has taken place.

3.6 Once approved by the Chair the Minutes will be circulated to Board Members.

**Highlight Reports and other Papers**

3.7 Board Members wishing to raise specific agenda items must notify the Programme Manager prior to the one week deadline for paper distribution. If items or papers are not received before this deadline then permission must be sought from the Chair of the Board and raised as any other business.

**Standing Agenda**

3.8 The following Standing agenda will be followed for each Board meeting unless specific items are raised for discussion.

- Apologies
- Minutes of the last Meeting
- Actions from previous meeting
- Highlight reports (including review of baselined plans)
- Risks & Issues
- Any other business
4. Composition of the Board

4.1 Organisation Structure

4.2 Board Membership

Sir Bruce Keogh, Department of Health, Senior Responsible Officer

Prof Michael Thick, Chief Clinical Officer, CFH (Chair)
Max Jones, Group Programme Director
Sandy Scales, Head of Programme, NHS Number
Paul Amos, Technical Lead, ISB HaSC
Maureen Baker, National Clinical Lead for Clinical Safety, CFH
Prof Nick Black, Professor of Health Services Research, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine
Parul Desai, National Clinical Lead on Public Health, CFH
Gerry Firkins, Information Development Manager, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals
Chris Fisher, Consultant Clinical Neurophysiologist, South Tees NHS Trust
James Hawkins, Summary Care Record Programme Director, CFH
Kevin Jarrold, Director, LPfIT
David Johnstone, Chairman of Standards and Performance Network for ADASS
Tony Newman-Sanders, Clinical Lead, PACS
Chris Ranger, Partnership Development Manager, NPSA
Mark Reynolds, Demographics and SDS Programme Head
Julie Tindale, National Clinical Lead, NHS Number Programme
Jeremy Thorpe, Director of Information Systems & Business Architecture, CFH
Marlene Winfield, National Patient Lead, CFH

Stuart Blake, Programme Manager, NHS Number
4.3 Roles

All members of the NHS Number Programme Board are responsible for the successful delivery of the programme as described in 1) Purpose and 2) Responsibilities.

5.1 Review of the Terms of Reference

The NHS Number Programme Board will on an annual basis review these terms of reference and board membership