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| **Agenda item:** | **7** |
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**HRA BOARD COVER SHEET**

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| **Date of Meeting:** | 21 January 2015 |

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| **Title of Paper:** | Adoption of Health Research Authority (HRA) Policies |
| **Purpose of Paper:** | To ask the HRA Board as successor body corporate to formally adopt all Policies and Procedures from the predecessor body corporate, the HRA as Special Health Authority.  The HRA was a Special Health Authority (SpHA) as defined in Section 7 (distribution of health service functions) of the National Health Service Act 2006 and as amended by Section 21 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and in accordance with the new Care Act provisions of 2014, was dissolved by Parliament to facilitate the creation of the new statutory Non Departmental Public Body (NDPB). The HRA as a NHS SpHA ceased to exist on the 31st December 2014. On 1st January 2015 the Commencement Order, issued in October 2014, came into force establishing the HRA as a NDPB.  As a new legal entity, the HRA as NDPB requires policies and procedures to regulate its decision making and business processes and provide systems of internal control.  It is recommended that the HRA Board formally adopt all the policies and procedures from the HRA as SpHA, including those that it acquired from predecessor organisations (for example in staff contracts). |
| **Reason for Submission:** | For approval |
| **Details:** | See Above |
| **Suitable for wider circulation?** | **No** |

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| **Recommendation / Proposed Actions:** | **To Approve** | | **X** |
| **To Note** | |  |
| **For Discussion** | |  |
| **Comments** |  | |

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| **Name:** | Stephen Tebbutt |
| **Job Title:** | Board Secretary |
| **Date:** | 14/01/2015 |