

Independent Trust Finance Facility (ITFF)

Minutes of the meeting held at Skipton House, 80 London Road, London, SE1 6LH

17th December 2013

Attendees:

Chairman George Alford (Independent)

ITFF Manager Nick Rose

Trust Panel Members: Associated Trust

David Clifford	City Hospitals Sunderland (Independent ex Non Exec)
Roger Craven	South Staffordshire Health Care (Independent ex Non Exec)
Ken Morris	Liverpool Women's
Jim Potter	Cambridge University (Independent ex Non Exec)
David Fleetwood	South Tyneside

Secretariat: Organisation

XXXXXX Department of Health

Presenters: Organisation

Sue Eggleton NHS TDA (Agenda item 3)

Apologies: Organisation

None

1) Previous minutes and matters arising

Minutes agreed. Chairman updated that recommendations of the last committee had been presented to Department of Health (DH).

2) Managers Report

Nick Rose (NR) set out that this extraordinary committee had been agreed with TDA in order to enable the progress of three capital cases.

3) Provider financing applications supported by NHS TDA

a) Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS trust

Recommendation	Approve
Revenue PDC requested in 2013-14	-
Capital PDC requested in 2013-14	£11,000,000
Forecast Surplus/(Deficit) for 2013-14	£200,000
Surplus/(Deficit) 2012-13	£300,000

Revenue PDC provided in 2012-13		-
Capital PDC provided in 2012-13		£3,000,000
Reason for Revenue PDC request		-
Reason for Capital PDC request		Balance of staged redevelopment and modernisation of theatres and general works
Repayment Conditions		None

TDA set out the current position of the trust, which is recovering from previous issues and an aspirant FT. These works represent the final works to achieve the recovery. The committee noted that the trust would be able to take an element of debt but in doing so recognised the pressure that this might place on their authorisation as an FT. The committee therefore recommended that the department consider the relative merits of debt or equity. The committee also suggested TDA consider options for partial debt/equity splits on future capital PDC applications.

b) Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust

Recommendation		Approve
Existing Loans: Finance Leases		-
FTFF		-
Other DH		£29,439,000
New loan amounts requested		£17,478,000
Total exposure		£46,917,000
Expected long term debt capacity		£58,000,000
Term		25 Years
Rate		NLF
Repayment programme		Equal Instalments of Principal
Security Covenants		Negative Pledge
Purpose		Decant to modular buildings

Assurance was sought from TDA as to the level of dependency these works had on the progression of the 3Ts scheme. TDA set out that these works were required in all scenarios to move from dilapidated facilities.

c) Sussex Community NHS Trust

Recommendation		Approve
Existing Loans: Finance Leases		-
FTFF		-
Other DH		£1,394,000
New loan amounts requested		£3,000,000
Total exposure		£4,394,000
Expected long term debt capacity		£24,000,000
Term		10 Years
Rate		NLF
Repayment programme		Equal Instalments of Principal
Security Covenants		Negative Pledge
Purpose		Development of properties into community Hubs

The committee were supportive of this application

4) Provider financing applications supported by Monitor

None.

5) Loan applications direct to DH by Foundation Trusts

None

6) AOB

The Chair reminded members of the deadline to return comments on the revised version of Secretary of State's guidance under section 42A of the NHS Health Service Act 2006. Following this consultation, the department would be seeking the comments of Monitor, TDA and HMT.

At the request of the committee, XXXXXXXXXXXXX had circulated the standard department terms in relation to the indemnities that the department provided to committee members. Members noted the wording.

7) Date of next meeting

The next meeting is to be held 17th January, Quarry House, Leeds.