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| <b>Meeting Date</b>   | <b>27<sup>th</sup> August 2019</b>  | <b>Agenda Item</b> | <b>5.1</b>       |
| <b>Report Title</b>   | <b>Outcomes of Corporate Vacancy Control Panel</b>  |                    |                  |
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| <b>Presented by</b>   | Hazel Robinson, Director of Workforce & OD  |                    |                  |
| <b>Freedom of Information</b>                                 | Open  |                    |                  |
| <b>Purpose of the Report</b>                                  | To provide an update on the outcomes of the Corporate Vacancy Control Panel   |                    |                  |
| <b>Key Issues</b>   | As part of the Health Board's Recovery and Sustainability Programme, the Corporate Vacancy Control Panel will give consideration to requests to advertise Administrative and Clerical, Corporate and all other Agenda for Change posts at band 7 and above. |                    |                  |
| <b>Specific Action Required</b><br><i>(please ✓ one only)</i> | <b>Information</b>  | <b>Discussion</b>  | <b>Assurance</b> |
|   | ✓   |                    |                  |
| <b>Recommendations</b>  | Members are asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Note the contents of this report.</li> </ul>   |                    |                  |

## OUTCOMES OF CORPORATE VACANCY CONTROL PANEL

### 1. INTRODUCTION

This report provides an update on the outcomes of the Corporate Vacancy Control Panels taken Since July 2017.

### 2. BACKGROUND

The purpose of the Corporate Vacancy Control panel is to consider and scrutinise applications to the panel to recruit to posts within the Health Board.

From 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2018, the Corporate Vacancy Control Panel was extended to include posts from all Agenda for Change job families at band 7 in addition to all A&C and Corporate posts.

The Vacancy Control panel will also consider:

- **Retire and Return applications** for all Administrative and Clerical posts and all other Agenda for Change posts at band 7 and above.
- **Apprentices in corporate areas only** (Apprentice requests in the Delivery Units will be considered locally at the DU Vacancy Control panel).
- **Re-evaluations** – The panel will keep an overview of re-evaluation applications.

Originally, the panel consisted of:

- Interim Director of Workforce and OD
- Director of Finance
- Director of Recovery and Sustainability.

The new Corporate Vacancy Control Panel consists of:

- Director Workforce and OD
- Director of Finance
- Chief Operating Officer
- Director of Transformation
- Director of Therapies and Health Sciences
- Director of Nursing and Patient Experience
- Staff Side representative
- Other members may be co-opted by the Chair as necessary to meet the needs of the group.

The panel meets on a weekly basis and works to an agreed Terms of Reference.

Since July 2017, the Corporate Vacancy Control panel considered **1355** requests with the following outcomes:

- Approved – **1298**
- Defer – **34**
- Not approved – **23**

The requests are broken down into the following categories:

- Admin & Clerical – **601**
- Band 7 and above – **238**
- Corporate – **516**
  
- Requests to advertise – **1286**
  - Agenda for Change posts – **1205**
  - Apprentices – **81**
- Re-evaluations – **46**
- Retire and return requests – **23**

During July 2019, the Corporate Vacancy Control panel considered **55** requests with the following outcomes:

- Approved – **55**
- Defer – **0**
- Not approved – **0**

The requests are broken down into the following categories:

- Admin & Clerical – **23**
- Band 7 and above – **21**
- Corporate – **11**
  
- Requests to advertise – **50**
  - Agenda for Change posts – **50**
  - Apprentices – **0**
- Re-evaluations – **3**

Retire and return requests – **2**

Please refer to appendix A for a full breakdown of the posts considered by the panel.

### **3. GOVERNANCE AND RISK ISSUES**

Not applicable.

### **4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Not applicable.

### **5. RECOMMENDATION**

The Committee is asked to note the contents of the report.

| <b>Governance and Assurance</b>  |   |                                     |
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| <b>Link to Enabling Objectives</b><br><i>(please choose)</i>   | <b>Supporting better health and wellbeing by actively promoting and empowering people to live well in resilient communities</b> |                                     |
|  | Partnerships for Improving Health and Wellbeing   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
|  | Co-Production and Health Literacy   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
|  | Digitally Enabled Health and Wellbeing  | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
|  | <b>Deliver better care through excellent health and care services achieving the outcomes that matter most to people</b>         |                                     |
|  | Best Value Outcomes and High Quality Care   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
|  | Partnerships for Care   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
|  | Excellent Staff   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|  | Digitally Enabled Care  | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
|  | Outstanding Research, Innovation, Education and Learning  | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| <b>Health and Care Standards</b>   |   |                                     |
| <i>(please choose)</i>   | Staying Healthy   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
|  | Safe Care   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
|  | Effective Care  | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
|  | Dignified Care  | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
|  | Timely Care   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
|  | Individual Care   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
|  | Staff and Resources   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>Quality, Safety and Patient Experience</b>  |   |                                     |
| Direct patient care impact allows for a mechanism to consider and address appropriate staffing structures to provide the highest quality service to patients and their families. |   |                                     |
| <b>Financial Implications</b>  |   |                                     |
| This process ensures the most effective use of resources so there will be no increased financial implications.   |   |                                     |
| <b>Legal Implications (including equality and diversity assessment)</b>  |   |                                     |
| There are no legal implications.   |   |                                     |
| <b>Staffing Implications</b>   |   |                                     |
| This will ensure appropriate staffing structures and skills are in place to meet with changing demand and ways of working.   |   |                                     |
| <b>Long Term Implications (including the impact of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015)</b>  |   |                                     |
| There are no long term implications in relation to the impact of the Well-being of Future Generations Act.   |   |                                     |
| <b>Report History</b>  | NA  |                                     |
| <b>Appendices</b>  | Appendix A - Corporate Vacancy Control Spreadsheet  |                                     |