

UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS OF LEICESTER NHS TRUST

TRUST BOARD REPORT

DATE: 9 OCTOBER 2008

TITLE: ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER 2007/08

Relevant healthcare standard: C7a

**AUTHOR: ACTING DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT
ON BEHALF OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

PURPOSE:

To receive the Annual Audit Letter 2007/08 prepared by the Trust's External Auditor, KPMG. A draft copy of the Letter was considered by the Audit Committee at its meeting on 16 September 2008 (Minute 66/08/1 refers).

SUMMARY:

The Annual Audit Letter 2007/08 summaries the key issues arising from the work carried out by KPMG (the Trust's External Auditor) during 2007/08 at UHL. The Letter highlights both areas of good performance and provides recommendations to improve performance. The accompanying report, prepared by the Acting Director of Finance and Procurement on behalf of the Chief Executive (as Accountable Officer) sets out details of the Trust's response to the key points identified in the Letter.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Trust Board is asked to note the key issues identified in the Annual Audit Letter 2007/08 and the Trust's response.