THE MACFARLANE TRUST NATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF MEETING

The next meeting of the National Support Services Committee will be held on the 17 December 2009 at the New Cavendish Club, 44 Gt Cumberland Place, London W1H 7BS from 10.00am. The Committee will recall that following this meeting, there is a planned briefing session for those Trustees present prior to the Christmas luncheon. Guests have been asked to arrive at 12.45pm.

AGENDA

371.09	Apologies for Absence
372.09	Minutes of the Previous Meeting To approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 2 December (previously circulated electronically).
373.09	Matters Arising (other than those itemised separately). 4 November 2009 There are no matters arising. 2 December 2009 369.09 To receive a short oral report in relation to the 09/10 disbursement arrangements of the non-discretionary payments arising from the Government's response to Lord Archer's Inquiry Report. 369.09 To recommend one of two options in respect of the discretionary "top up" payment to be added to the non-discretionary payment to each infected beneficiary. The recommendation agreed will be considered by the Board at their meeting on the 25 January 2010. (Note: The two schedules detailing the discretionary payment values, together with the Trust's current regular payment arrangements, are attached. Further, the e-mail dated the 4 December with additional points for consideration is attached and, where appropriate, will form part of the Committee's recommendation to the Board of Trustees at their meeting on the 25 January.) 369.09 To note that over 50% of the infected beneficiary community have returned the consent note to transfer data to the MSPT2 non-discretionary vehicle. To address any questions members of the Committee might have in all or any of these respects.
374.09	Applications, including those circulated by "round robin" for clarification, Cases and Reviews/First Appeals To consider the schedule of papers circulated. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please indicate your views on individual cases either by marking and returning them or by e-mail to roz@ GRO-C

375.09

Any Other Business

To agree a date for the next meeting of the Committee. It would normally fall on Wednesday 6 January 2010; it is suggested that the date be put back to the 13 January 2010.