

The Clinical Audit Committee would report to Mr Wisheart and through Mr Wisheart to the Trust Board. Mr McKinlay requested Mr Wisheart to summarise the proceedings of the Clinical Audit Committee for the Trust Board.

f) Changeover of House Staff

Mr Wisheart had written to each House Officer/Senior House Officer inviting them to remain on duty on the 1st and 2nd August 1994, and to be paid for their services. Many had agreed to stay on, but there were some areas of concern where Directorates may have to consider curtailment of normal activities to ensure the safety and welfare of patients. Mr Wisheart had asked Directorates to report to him by the 15th July if they envisaged any such curtailment of activities. He assured the Board that the situation would be handled very carefully.

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Report from the Director of Operations

a) The Trust had achieved a surplus of around 5.5% above contract for April and May.

b) Some operations had had to be cancelled because of the high number of emergency admissions, and it was anticipated that this problem would continue throughout the next quarter.

c) Minimal Manual Handling Policy

Mrs Maisey thanked everyone within the Trust for their enthusiasm in implementing and maintaining this policy.

d) Devolution of budgets

There were still some areas where Managers had not yet found it possible to devolve budgets to ward level.

e) Second Hospital Free Bus

In conjunction with the existing bus this now provided a 15 minute service.

Mr McKinlay queried the cancellation of operations and what practical action had been taken. Mrs Maisey replied that efforts were being made to ensure that the information on computer was correct. The Directorate of Surgery had had