

Minutes

RDF for Thames Valley, Palliative Care & East of England Resident Doctors

Date: Monday 8th June 2026

Venue: Via Microsoft Teams

Chaired by: Dr Peter Arthur, Guardian of Safe Working – GP, Palliative, Public Health & Sports Science

In Attendance:	
Dr Peter Arthur	GOSW
Victoria Miller	Lead Employer HR Governance Team Leader
Laura Miller	Lead Employer HR Governance Team Leader
Sasha Rogers	Lead Employer HR
Sadia Farooq	BMA Representative
Dr M	ST1

Apologies:	
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1	Welcome and Introductions	Action	Deadline
	Introductions from those in attendance, minutes will be shared and made available on website.	N/A	N/A
2	Guardian of Safe Working Update		
	<p>Dr Arthur: We are receiving a steady trickle of exception reports which vary massively in length of time from 15 minutes to 11 hours. They are getting better in the sense that we are receiving reports with evidence enabling us to deal with them quickly and most reports are requesting payment for the additional hours worked.</p> <p>It is fascinating that when registrars' exception report, they tend to make multiple of them and we are receiving regular reports from the same registrars. When querying if they have raised issues regarding their rota's/having to stay late to complete tasks on multiple occasions, they don't seem to have raised it as an issue with their placements which is quite interesting and is something to think about.</p> <p>We do receive some complex reports that are over 2 hours, resulting in me discussing the reports with the relevant registrars and approving the reports for payment.</p> <p>The process seems to be working relatively well and has stabilised quite a lot.</p>		
3	BMA Update		
	<p>Sadia: There is a 4-day resident doctor industrial strike from Monday 15th June – 19th June 2026 taking place across the country. We have had some emergency talks last week as well but there is nothing to call off the strikes as of yet. I think you're all very familiar with the reporting mechanism and deductions, which is all the same as usual & no changes.</p>	N/A	N/A
4	Any Other Business		
	Nothing to discuss.		
5	Next Meeting		
	Monday 7 th September 2026 @ 1pm.		