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#### 1. Objective

To provide a framework/guide for staff to follow in relation to set financial procedures involving Res Manager (IT booking system) and how to take payments using PDQ card machine.

#### 2. Rationale

This document is a step by step guide for all staff on how to take direct payments from residents.

- Direct Payers Procedures
- PDQ machine
- Cash Payments
- Cash Book/cash sheet

From the outcome of an external audit, it was a requirement to produce a guide for all staff on how to take direct payments from residents.

#### 3. Scope

Finance Officer oversees the processes for direct payers and cash book in order to ensure all transactions are balanced ready for inputting to Residents accounts.

#### 4. Processes to be followed

#### **Direct Payers Procedures:**

All rents are due on the first day of each month or the next working day. To take payments follow this procedure.

First monthly take rent payments by PDQ (credit/debit card machine) from Tenants who have signed relevant authority.

- To find out how much rent is due go to Res Manager, Menu, Resident List, name, Residents Details, Account.
- Take relevant payment with the card machine.
- Write a receipt
- Write manually in cash book
- Go to Office Share, Cash Sheet and record relevant information S:\Corporate Departments\Facilities\Accommodation Office\Office Share\CASH SHEETS

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• Tenants who telephone or come in to the office to pay same procedure

Finance Officer to process payments to Tenant accounts from information in the cash book on a regular basis i.e. at least twice weekly.

On 7th monthly proceed to the Arrears procedures for those that still have not paid.

#### **PDQ User Instructions**

- Key in amount to be taken press enter
- Key in Tenant 16 digit card number press enter
- Key in expiry date of card press enter
- Key in 3 digit Security number found on back of card press enter

The PDQ machine gives prompts throughout the whole process to follow. Tear off Receipts – Tenants and Office copy and attach to written receipts

#### **Cash Payments**

- If a Tenant pays with cash this must be checked and kept in the safe
- This must be Banked at least weekly at the NNUH Cash Office
- This must be entered onto the Cash Sheet and the Cash Book

#### Cash Book

Daily or at least weekly payments must be processed to Residents Accounts.

- Resident List Resident Account Rent Receipt Date rent received Transaction Amount – method of payment.
- Take care with this process as wrong entries make the monthly balancing procedure complicated.

### 5. Monitoring compliance

To ensure that this document is compliant with the above standards, the following monitoring processes will be undertaken:

The Finance Procedures for Accommodation will be updated 16/12/2023. Changes may be required if there are any additional updates to our IT booking system Res Manager.

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## 6. Equality Impact Assessment (EIA)

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Equality Area	Potential	Impact	Which groups are affected	Full Impact Assessment Required
	Negative Impact	Positive Impact		YES/NO
Race			No	No
Pregnancy & Maternity			No	No
Disability			No	No
Religion and beliefs			No	No
Sex			No	No
Gender reassignment			No	No
Sexual Orientation			No	No
Age			No	No
Marriage & Civil Partnership			No	No

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