The Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust

Trust Board – January 2012

Business Case Progress Update - Oncology Consultants

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### Strategic Domain

- **A. Financial Strength:** We will develop and deliver robust services that generate surpluses to reinvest in quality
- **B. Patients, GPs and Commissioners:** We will insist that we deliver the best service to our patients, GPs and commissioners
- **C. Quality and Safety:** We will always provide the right care for our patients and ensure that they suffer no harm

### Organisational Objective

- **A1.** Develop and implement sustainable clinical strategies
- **A2.** Develop and grow services which make a positive financial contribution
- **A4.** Maximise the productivity and efficiency of our services
- **B2.** Ensure our patients have a good experience
- **B9.** Reflect commissioners’ plans in our capacity plans and deliver our contractual commitments
- **C3.** Provide the right care, right time, right place, right professional
- **C4.** Deliver services that offer safe, evidence-based practice
- **C5.** Meet regulatory requirements and healthcare standards
- **C6.** Ensure our patients suffer no avoidable harm
- **D1.** Learn to improve, innovate and cooperate continuously
- **D7.** Build service and redesign capacity and capability

### Executive Summary

A Business Case was submitted to the Trust Board in November 2010 for approval to appoint three additional Consultant Oncologists. A presentation is made to the Trust Board to update on progress since appointment:

- Three additional Consultant Oncologists are now in post; the first commenced employment in February 2011, the second in June 2011 and the third in July 2011;
- The Oncology Centre has ceased Waiting List Initiative payments which has enabled the Centre to generate a reduction in pay costs totalling £54,906 (based on previous spend);
- Achievement of the National Cancer Targets in Radiotherapy and Chemotherapy;
- Implementation of an Acute Oncology Consultant on-call service;
- Cross-cover for specific tumour sites and MDT;
- Supports Clinic Trials.

### Recommendations

The Trust Board is asked to NOTE progress following the successful implementation of the Business Case for three additional Consultant Oncologists.