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## Update to Policy Clauses 1.7 and 4.10 within ASEMS Part 1- Policy and the associated Assurance Question Sets within ASEMS Part 3 – Assurance.

<b>When it takes effect:</b>	Immediately
<b>Valid for:</b>	Until rescinded
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### Description

Following DIA Audit QSEP received an action regarding Learning from Experience (LfE) - DIA Audit 1.5 – Documenting and communicating of LfE. The audit concluded that whilst a process to support capturing and sharing of LfE is available within ASEMS the process is not being utilised.

Whilst Policy Clause 1.7 currently directs OCs/DTs to ensure accidents and incidents are investigated and that the lessons learnt are shared to maximise the benefit from the learning, no evidence was found that this is happening.

To ensure that future LfE is captured, and to close this action, QSEP have updated the following policy clauses within ASEMS, [Part 1 - Policy](#):

- i) [Policy Clause 1.7](#) – Learning from Experience and
- ii) [Policy Clause 4.10](#) – Independent Assurance

The associated Audit Question Sets available within ASEMS, [Part 3 – Assurance](#) have also been updated to reflect the updates made to the Policy Clauses.

**Update (03/04/2023):** Following a query received regarding the storage of LfE artefacts in Policy Clauses 1.7 and 4.10, the clauses have been updated to necessitate SharePoint as a means to store LfE artefacts.

### Actions to be taken

1. For cascading as appropriate

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