Yorkshire Ambulance Service 2023/24 Strategic Planning Priorities and Operational Objectives

Strategy Theme	Strategic priorities	Operational objectives	Reporting Committee	
Our	Deliver the best possible response for each patient, first	1. Develop and approve five-year strategy for the organisation.	Trust Board	c
patients	time and create a safe and high performing organisation.	2. Deliver improvements in category 2 response times in line with national guidance.	Finance & Performance	E
	(Priority 1 and 6):	 Develop and fully utilise alternative pathways and specialist response to improve access for patients and avoid conveyances to A&E. 	Quality	E
		4. Develop an integrated clinical assessment service across EOC and IUC to support contact centre integration to ensure patient calls are responded to effectively and efficiently.	Quality	E
		 Implement the national patient safety incident response framework and other patient safety measures. 	Quality	E P
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		8. Implement a robust performance management framework.	Finance & Performance	F
		 Review, develop and embed our approach to quality improvement and create an academic research unit. 	Quality	F
	Attract, develop, and retain a highly skilled, engaged, and	10. Deliver recruitment and retention plans across 999, 111 and PTS.	People	E
	diverse workforce. (Priority 2):	11. Improve staff health and wellbeing with a focus on inclusion and the provision of flexible and supported employment.	People	[(
		12. Respond to priorities within the staff survey and focus on improved response rates.	People	[(
		13. Develop and implement a new leadership development programme.	People	C
	Equip our people with the best tools, technology, and	14. Understand and utilise data and intelligence to improve patient care and population health.	Finance & Performance	C
	environment to support excellent outcomes.	15. Complete the development of a long-term estates plan and open new facilities for logistics and EOC.	Finance & Performance	E
	(Priority 3):			
Our places	Develop public and community engagement to promote YAS as a community partner and an <u>"anchor organisation".</u>	16. Increase the number and variety of volunteering opportunities and develop supporting infrastructure to improve patient care.	People	C
	(Priority 8):			
	Be a respected and influential system partner and generate resources to support patient	17. Develop and embed our approach to system working.	Finance & Performance	C
	(Priority 5 and 7):	18. Embed rigorous financial oversight to ensure efficient use of resources.	Finance & Performance	E

*The Executive Lead will be updated as the Operating Model is implemented.

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Our Strategic Priorities and Operational Objectives for 2023/24 at a glance

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Operational Objective 2023/2024			
Objective (1): Develop and approve five-year strategy for the organisation.			
Executive Lead: CEO – Peter Reading			



YAS will develop and launch a new Trust Strategy setting out the vision, direction, and priorities for the Trust for the future. This will be developed and co-produced with internal and external stakeholders so that everyone will be able to understand what the strategy means for them.

Why is this a priority / key driver that need fixing?

The Health and Care Act (2022) introduced Integrated Care Systems and with that a duty to collaborate for NHS Trusts. The Trust's new strategy, replacing the 2018-23 strategy, needs to recognise system ways of working and system priorities, and articulate a long-term plan, with vision and priorities for the Trust.

What are we going to focus on?				
Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe
Phase One: Programme and roadmap to deliver the strategy. Diagnosis & Forecasting stages completed, including assessment of current strategy, alignment with partners, benchmarking and future forecast scenario modelling. Initial ambitions/priorities produced for engagement.	Interim Programme Director - Strategy	Strategic Programme Group reporting into TEG and Board	Trust Board	Quarterly
Phase Two: engage internal and external stakeholders to co-produce and develop the priorities and generate and prioritise options for inclusion in the strategy.	Interim Programme Director - Strategy	Strategic Programme Group reporting into TEG and Board	Trust Board	Quarterly
Phase Three: Finalise a new strategy and delivery/implementation plan approved.	Interim Programme Director - Strategy	Strategic Programme Group reporting into TEG and Board	Trust Board	Quarterly
Phase Four: Launch, embed and ongoing evolution of the new strategy.	Interim Programme Director - Strategy	Strategic Programme Group reporting into TEG and Board	Trust Board	Quarterly

How will we know if we are improving?	Key Milestones			
Metric	Current State	Target State	Milestone	Quarter Timeframe
Strategy programme and roadmap approved, with resources identified and agreed. Diagnosis & Forecasting stages completed. Initial ambitions/priorities produced for engagement.	Programme and roadmap drafted; resources secured; diagnosis and forecasting phase in progress	Programme & roadmap approved. Resources in place. Diagnosis & forecasting phases completed. Initial ambitions/priorities produced for engagement.	Programme & roadmap approved. Resources in place.	Q1
Engagement with stakeholders and draft priorities and options for inclusion in the strategy developed.	Stakeholder mapping underway; draft strategy started	Stakeholder engagement completed to develop the priorities and generate and prioritise options. Draft completed	Diagnosis & forecasting phases completed. Initial ambitions/priorities produced for engagement.	Q2
Final version of strategy with delivery plan prepared and approved by Board	Not yet completed	Strategy approved and agreed by Board	Engagement with stakeholders completed and draft produced	Q2
Strategy launch programme produced and endorsed.	Programme to be developed	Programme for launch agreed and resourced	Strategy approved and agreed by Board	Q3
Launch new strategy.	Not yet approved	New strategy launched and communicated	Launch programme agreed and implemented.	Q3

Operational Objective 2023/2024	
Objective (2):	Deliver improvements in Category 2 response times in line with national guidance.
Executive Lead:	Executive Director of Operations - Nick Smith



Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

YAS will work to realise internal and external plans with the system in order to achieve the national Category 2 performance objective of 30 minutes.

It is a national objective for Trusts to ensure that Category 2 performance is 30 minutes or less. In order to achieve the national objective, it is imperative that YAS works on internal plans and with the system.

What are we going to focus on?				
Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe
Reduction of Trust sickness in A&E / EOC.	Deputy Director of Operations	Trust Management Group, Trust Executive Group, Workforce Committee.	Finance and Performance	Quarterly
Realising Recruitment plans in A&E / EOC.	Deputy Director of Operations	Performance Delivery Group / Workforce Committee	Finance and Performance	Quarterly
Increase in H&T through: • Vocare • UCRS • Remote clinical triage hubs (Objective 4) • Cat 2 segmentation	Deputy Director of Operations	Performance Delivery Group	Finance and Performance	Quarterly
Reduction in handover delays. • Handover to clear <15 mins	Deputy Director of Operations	Performance Delivery Group	Finance and Performance	Quarterly

How will we know if we are improving?					
Metric Current State		Target State			
A reduction in the Category 2 mean response time.	42 minutes and 1 second (2022/23 full year).	29 minutes and 8 seconds.			
A decrease in sickness.	A&E – 6.2% against a target of 5.7%. EOC - 11.1% against a target of 11.5%.	<1% compared to 2022/23 - A&E Ops. <2% compared to 2022/23 - EOC.			
More incidents triaged by Vocare.	Not in place for EOC.	100 incidents per day from Q2.			
More UCR referrals.	11 per day in April 2023.	100 incidents per day Q1 - Q4.			
Achievement of Recruitment Trajectory.	48 Ambulance Support Workers against a target of 70. 43 Paramedics against a target of 48.	240 Ambulance Support Workers. 288 Paramedics.			
Reduction in Hospital Handover times.	32 minutes average (2022/23 full year).	15 minutes. 17-minute reduction compared to 2022/2023.			
Reduction in Handover to clear times.	20-minute average (2022/23 full year).	1 minute reduction compared to 2022/23.			

Milestone	Quarter Timeframe
Increase Hear and Treat to 20% by year end.	Q4
UCR 100 incidents per day for each quarter.	Q1
Vocare triage 30 per day.	Q2
Vocare triage 100 per day from Quarter 2 to 4.	Q2
Increase clinical workforce.	Q4
Recruitment of	Q4
240 Ambulance Support Workers	
288 Paramedics.	
Handover to clear reduction.	Q4
Annual sickness reduced by 1%.	Q4
Reduction of 17 minutes in handover delays.	Q4

Operational Objective 2023/2024		
Objective (3):	Develop and fully utilise alternative pathways and specialist response to improve access for patients and avoid conveyances to A&E.	
Executive Lead:	Executive Medical Director - Dr Steven Dykes	



In 2023/24 YAS will continue to develop and improve its urgent care pathways, processes and performance. A key element within this priority will be to avoid conveyances to A&E, by providing alternative pathways for patients and improving specialist responses. This will ensure that patients get the right care, in the right place at the right time.

Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

Interventions that allow YAS to appropriately direct patients to alternative care pathways will improve patient safety and experience, improve ambulance and ED efficiency, whilst also providing substantial savings to the healthcare system.

What are we going to focus on?				
Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe
Improving and increasing the access to appropriate pathways for patients.	Lead Clinical Pathways Manager	Clinical Governance	Quality	Quarterly
Maximise internal utilisation of appropriate pathways across A&E.	Deputy Director of Operations	Clinical Governance	Quality	Quarterly
Maximise internal utilisation of appropriate pathways across EOC.	Head of Service Central Delivery	Clinical Governance	Quality	Quarterly
Maximise internal utilisation of appropriate pathways across IUC.	Senior Programme Manager, IUC	Clinical Governance	Quality	Quarterly
Maximise the use of urgent care practitioners.	Head of Service Central Delivery	Clinical Governance	Quality	Quarterly
Mental Health transformational programme implementation.	Lead Nurse Urgent Care	Clinical Governance / Trust Executive Group+	Quality	Quarterly

How will we know if we are improving?				
Metric	Current State	Target State		
Delivery of UCR National specification in all areas of Yorkshire.	Some areas are currently amber/ red	Green in all areas of Yorkshire		
Increased utilisation of Urgent Community Response (UCR) pathways as a percentage of Cat 3 / 4 demand for EOC.	TBC	TBC		
Number of accepted referrals to UCR and Same Day Emergency Care (SDEC).	TBC	TBC		
Increased utilisation of Specialist Paramedic Urgent Care (SPUC).	TBC	Measurement if utilisation of the SPUC increased.		
Emergency Department (ED) referral reduction via increased clinical validation in Integrated Urgent Care (IUC).	35% (Red)	50% in line with national KPI8		
Deliver a review of KPI first Directory of Service (DOS) selection in Integrated Urgent Care (IUC).	Green	Deliver national KPI10		
Utilisation and Emergency Department (ED) avoided through the use of six Mental Health Response Vehicles.	Amber	Six vehicles procured and available for use to add additional capacity for Mental Health Support.		
Frontline staff have completed Mental Health mandatory training.	Green	Complete for a third of frontline staff, with 75% satisfaction rate.		
Improved service delivery for people with a learning disability and people with neurodiversity.	Green	Plans completed and implementation plan is delivered.		
Increased utilisation of Mental Health pathways as a percentage of Cat 3 / 4 demand for EOC.	Amber	TBC		
Reduce conveyance rate to A&E.	Conveyance to ED was 56.4% for 22/23	Achievement of National Average which was 58.3% for 22/23.		
Increase hear and treat rate.	7.4%	20%		

Milestone	Quarter Timefram
Review Integrated Urgent Care (IUC) surge and escalation plan in relation to maximising Emergency Department (ED) validation.	Q2
Work with Directory of Service (DOS) leads to complete a review and ensure appropriate SD/SG ED codes are sent for validation, in Integrated Urgent Care (IUC).	Q3
Complete the review and implement recommendations of the first DOS selection in IUC.	Q3
Regionwide UCR and SDEC coverage with appropriate pathways for A&E, EOC and IUC referrals.	Q4
Effective liaison established with ICS and providers on Same Day Emergency Care (SDEC).	Q4
Maximised utilisation of UCR and SDEC pathways by A&E, EOC and IUC.	Q4
Push model developed and scaled.	Q4
Develop an integrated clinical assessment service across EOC and IUC to support contact centre integration to ensure patient calls are responded to effectively and efficiently (OO4).	Q4
Increase the number of push partners.	Q4
Six dedicated Mental Health Response Vehicles procured and available for use adding additional capacity for Mental Health Support.	Q4
Mandatory training for Mental Health rolled out for frontline staff.	Q4
Learning Disability and Neurodiversity plans developed and delivered.	Q4
Maximised utilisation of Mental Health pathways by A&E, EOC and IUC.	Q4

Operational Objective 2023/2024			
Objective (4): Develop an integrated clinical assessment service across EOC and IUC to support contact			
	centre integration to ensure patient calls are responded to effectively and efficiently.		
Executive Lead:	Executive Director of Operations - Nick Smith		



YAS will develop the Clinical Assessment Service (CAS) and increase clinical capacity to appropriately assess patient's needs, ensuring patients are directed efficiently and effectively into the most appropriate onward care pathway. YAS will work with Integrated Care partners to allow for the development of rotational opportunities and plans to resource clinical requirements.

Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

The Clinical Assessment Service will help to streamline referral pathways and add clinical value to a patient's journey. It would also ensure the patient is involved in deciding on the most appropriate onward care pathway.

What are we going to focus on?					
Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe	
Increasing clinical capacity and	Senior Programme Manager,	Performance Delivery	Quality Committee	Quarterly	
capabilities in IUC/EOC.	IUC	Group			
	Head of Service Central				
	Delivery, EOC				
Design and test a single integrated clinical	Consultant Practitioner,	Integrated CAS	Quality Committee	Quarterly	
queue.	Remote Clinical Triage	Group			
Integrated CAS model developed and	TBC	Integrated CAS	Quality Committee	Quarterly	
agreed.		Group			
Integrated CAS plan development.	TBC	Integrated CAS	Quality Committee	Quarterly	
		Group			

How will we know if we are improving?			Key Milestones		
Metric	Current State	Target State		Milestone	Quarter Timeframe
Growing combined Clinical Workforce in both EOC and IUC.	Developing Plan and Trajectory	Budget FTE achieved		Integrated CAS model agreed with System partners.	Q3
Referral pathways into system maximised.	Developing Plan and Trajectory	Maximised utilisation		Integrated CAS model agreed with System partners.	Q3
Integrated CAS model for IUC and EOC agreed.	In discussion	Model agreed		Clinical Workforce trajectory achieved.	Q4
Integrated CAS plan completed ready for implementation.	To commence	Plan approved		Integrated CAS plan approved.	Q4

Operational Objective 2023/2024			
Objective (5):	Implement the national patient safety incident response framework and other patient safety measures.		
Executive Lead:	Executive Director of Quality, Governance and Performance Assurance – Clare Ashby		



Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

YAS will continue to improve patient safety and learn from incidents to prevent harm, focusing on implementing new national guidance for dealing with investigations and improving outcomes.

Prioritising Patient Safety and improving patient outcomes will ensure patients receive the right care, at the right time and at the right place, which will reduce harm that results from inappropriate non-conveyance decisions.

What are we going to focus on?					
Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe	
Implementing PSIRF and learning from all incidents that involve patient harm (CQUIN).	Associate Director of Quality and Safety	Clinical Governance	Quality	Quarterly	
Reviewing the Trust's ability to respond consistently to domestic violence legislation, by recruiting a Specialist Domestic Abuse Practitioner.	Associate Director of Quality and Safety	Clinical Governance / Quarterly Executive Safeguarding review	Quality	Quarterly	
Providing YAS clinicians with access to wider healthcare records, by implementing the Clinical Systems Development Programme.	Executive Medical Director	Clinical Systems Development Programme Implementation Group	Quality	Quarterly	
Developing the Critical Care strategy.	Executive Medical Director	Clinical Governance	Quality	Quarterly	
Developing and delivering year one of the Resuscitation Improvement Plan, to improve the care delivered to patients who have suffered a cardiac arrest.	Executive Medical Director	Clinical Governance	Quality	Quarterly	
Developing and delivering year one of the Maternity Improvement Plan, utilising the findings from the strategic maternity review and Ockenden inquiry, including provision of safe, high-quality pre-hospital maternity care.	Executive Medical Director	Clinical Governance	Quality	Quarterly	
Developing and delivering year 1 of the non-medical prescriber strategy (5-year plan).	Executive Medical Director	Clinical Governance	Quality	Quarterly	
Implementing the Yorkshire Air Ambulance review and post critical care paramedic review.	Chief Operating Officer	Clinical Governance	Quality	Quarterly	
Improvements to medicines optimisation (pre-packed POMs and digitisation).	Associate Director of Estates, Fleet & Facilities	Clinical Governance	Quality	Quarterly	

How will we know if we are improving?				
Metric	Current State	Target State		
PSIRF policy and plans agreed and implemented.	In diagnostic and development.	PSIRF Live October 2023		
Safeguarding Policy and guidance reflect changes from the Domestic Abuse Act 2021.	Policy under review.	Embedded policy and guidance documents		
Increased numbers of MARAC cases are referred, supported, and actioned by YAS shown through Datix data.	Agree baseline data.	Increased YAS referrals		
Increased utilisation of wider healthcare records.	TBC	Increased use of healthcare records		
Delivery of PROMPT training.	Funding stream identified and 2 members of staff attending a train the trainer pre-hospital PROMPT course in August.	% training compliance at agreed level		
Reduction in resuscitation related patient safety incidents.	Agree baseline data.	No patient safety incidents		
Increase the number of survivors from out of hospital cardiac arrest.	7%.	England average 10%		
Reduction in maternity related incidents via HSIB requests.	Agree baseline data.	Reduction of cases requests by HSIB		
Increase in number of remote prescriptions.	Agree baseline data.	Increase from baseline		
Reduction in incidents relating to medicines.	Agree baseline data.	Decrease from baseline once agreed.		

Key Milestones				
Milestone	Quarter Timeframe			
Opening of Logistics Hub.	Q1			
Specialist Domestic Abuse Practitioner recruited.	Q2			
PSIRF adopted as the framework for investigation.	Q4			
Live implementation of new functionality for wider healthcare records.	Q4			
Critical Care Strategy approved with a clear plan for delivery.	Q4			
Year one of the Resuscitation Improvement Plan delivered, YAS as an ALS provider organisation delivering ALS courses and go live with Good Sam for staff groups.	Q4			
Year one of the Maternity Improvement Plan delivered. Maternity leadership, become a PROMPT training provider and deliver CPD sessions.	Q4			
Year One of the non-medical prescriber strategy delivered. Deliver the Designated Prescribing Practitioner.	Q4			
Implement pre-packed POMs and digitised processes across YAS.	Q4			
Air Ambulance review complete.	Q4			

Operational Objective 2023/2024			
Objective (6): Deliver and embed the year 1 priorities for 'YAS Together' building upon the outcome of			
	the culture change programme, supported by Moorhouse.		
Executive Lead:	Director of People and Organisational Development - Mandy Wilcock		



YAS Together provides additional direction on how the Trust works together to deliver the right care, and best outcomes for staff and patients. This will support our continuous development of a supportive and restorative culture where staff can bring their true selves to work in a physically and psychologically safe environment.

Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

Delivering and embedding the outcomes from the cultural change programme supported by Moorhouse will ensure YAS continually develops itself to be a supportive and compassionate organisation where staff feel safe and have a good experience.

What are we going to focus on?					
Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe	
Pilot and launch of first Interventions.	Senior Programme Lead	YAS Together Programme Group, Future Ways of Working Steering Group, Trust Executive Group.	People Committee	Quarterly	
Soft launch and roll out of YAS together content across the Trust.	Senior Programme Lead	YAS Together Programme Group, Future Ways of Working Steering Group, Trust Executive Group.	People Committee	Quarterly	
Agree and develop short to medium term interventions for pilot within agreed teams.	Senior Programme Lead	YAS Together Programme Group, Future Ways of Working Steering Group, Trust Executive Group.	People Committee	Quarterly	

How will we know if we are improving?					
Metric	Current State	Target State			
Reduction in staff sickness.	7%	1% reduction			
Improvements in staff retention.	33% EOC, 45% IUC	Reduction in contact centres			
Improved staff survey results.	2022 NSS results	Above average NSS 2023			
Qualitative feedback from Network of Champions.	N/A	TBC			

Key Milestones			
Milestone	Quarter Timeframe		
Soft Launch YAS together.	Q2		
Pilot short term interventions as per project plan.	Q2/Q3		
Rollout of YAS Leadership Behaviours.	Q3/Q4		
Rollout of High Performing Teams Toolkit and Empowerment Guide.	Q3/Q4		

Operational Objective 2023/2024		
Objective (7):	Deliver and implement an effective organisational operating model.	
Executive Lead:	CEO – Peter Reading	



YAS will implement the Operating Model to ensure that Trust is structured and organised to provide a coherent integrated model of delivery, with clear accountability, which supports the implementation of Trust strategy and objectives and ensures the delivery of efficient and effective patient care.

Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

The implementation of the operating model will ensure that YAS has defined structures with clear accountability, enabling the implementation of Trust strategy and priorities and delivery of safe, high quality and efficient services.

What are we going to focus on?				
Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe
Development, consultation and recruitment to new executive and senior leadership portfolios.	Director of Transition	Operating Model Delivery Group, Future Ways of Working Steering Group	People Committee	Quarterly
Implementation of Accountability Framework plan focused on revised governance and decision-making arrangements to streamline and support the future ways of working.	Director of Transition	Accountability Framework delivery Group, Future Ways of Working Steering Group	People Committee	Quarterly

How will we know if we are improving?				
Metric	Current State	Target State		
Improved alignment with system partners.	Partially aligned	Fully aligned plans		
Increased clarity on leadership accountability.	Partial	Clarity - exec and senior		
More streamlined decision-making.	Not always timely	Clear executive process		
More devolved decision-making and empowered leaders and teams.	Centralised model	Clear scheme of delegation & expectations		
Stronger clinical & professional leadership.	Centralised model	Embedded model		
Improved performance assurance (ref obj.8).	Process via TMG	New process embedded		

Key Milestones			
Milestone	Quarter Timeframe		
Recruitment to phase 2 post.	Q2		
Completion of Phase 3 consultation.	Q2 (July 2023)		
Scoping of phase 4 consultation.	Q2		
Recruitment to phase 3 posts.	Q3		
Accountability Framework (TBC).	Q2 to Q4		

Operational Objective 2023/2024			
Objective (8):	Implement a robust performance management framework.		
Executive Lead: Executive Director of Quality, Governance and Performance Assurance – Clare Ashby			



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YAS will design and implement a robust performance management framework to monitor performance. There will be the development of clear reporting and escalation processes and performance challenge meetings will be established to highlight risks.

Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

The implementation of the performance management framework will support the Accountability Framework, by ensuring that YAS has clear processes for monitoring performance, reporting and escalations.

What are we going to focus on?				
Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe
Performance management framework design and implementation plan developed and agreed by the Board.	Associate Director Performance Assurance and Risk	Trust Management Group, Trust Executive Group.	Finance and Performance	Quarterly
Performance monitoring and reporting resources agreed – dashboards/ KPIs.	Head of Business Intelligence	Trust Management Group, Area Leadership Groups in each ICS.	Finance and Performance	Quarterly
Performance challenge meeting process established, with reporting on performance exceptions and risks.	Associate Director Performance Assurance and Risk	Trust Management Group, Area Leadership Groups in each ICS	Finance and Performance	Quarterly
Performance issues and risk processes established – includes improvement plans.	Associate Director Performance Assurance and Risk	Trust Management Group, Area Leadership Groups in each ICS	Finance and Performance	Quarterly

How will we know if we are improving?			
Metric	Current State	Target State	
Performance Management framework plans developed.	Draft version for discussion.	Approved by Board.	
Reporting and Escalation process established.	IPR and other dashboards.	Single oversight dashboard and KPIs approved.	
Performance challenge meeting process approved and established.	Performance challenge occurs in TMG but is limited.	Challenge meetings are established and embedded.	
Risk management, escalation and mitigation process and plans developed.	Risk management and performance management processes exist but are not efficiently linked.	Process approved, actioned and embedded.	

Key Milestones				
Milestone	Quarter Timeframe			
Performance management framework design and implementation plan developed and agreed by the Board.	Q2			
Reporting and escalation process established and agreed at Board.	Q3			
Performance challenge meeting process established with reporting on highlights and risks through TMG & TEG.	Q3			
Risks identified through performance management process, escalated and mitigation plans developed.	Q4			

	Operational Objective 2023/2024				
Objective (9): Review, develop and embed our approach to quality improvement and create a Research Institute					
Executive Lead: Executive Director of Quality, Governance and Performance Assurance - Clare Ashby					



YAS will focus on embedding our quality improvement approach, reviewing the 2018-2023 Quality Improvement Strategy and developing, implementing and embedding the new Quality Improvement Strategy for 2023-2028. YAS will host an Academic Research Unit that embeds YAS in key research streams in partnership with higher education institutes and NHS provider organisations.

Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

Quality Improvement Strategy is integral to ensuring an environment where YAS continually learns and improves, in order to ensure quality care delivery, make YAS a great place to work and make best use of all resources.

Research-active organisations perform better and have better patient outcomes. The ARU will provide research leadership and will support YAS to attract and retain the best workforce by providing unique career development opportunities and advanced practice and portfolio careers.

What are we going to focus on?

Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe
Evaluation and review of the 2018-2023 Quality Improvement Strategy.	Associate Director of Quality and Safety	Trust Management Group, Trust Executive Group.	Quality	Quarterly
Development of the 2023-2028 Quality Improvement Strategy.	Associate Director of Quality and Safety	Trust Management Group, Trust Executive Group.	Quality	Quarterly
Embed QI strategy across.	Associate Director of Quality and Safety	Trust Management Group, Trust Executive Group.	Quality	Quarterly
Local quality improvement activities with system partners.	Associate Director of Quality and Safety	System Leadership Meetings.	Quality	Quarterly
Launch of Research Institute.	Head of Research	Clinical Governance Group.	Quality	Quarterly

How will we know if we are improving?				
Metric	Current State	Target State		
Evaluation of the 2018-2023 Quality Improvement Strategy.	Completed in 22/23.	Take learning into the next QI strategy.		
Development of 2023-2028 Quality Improvement Strategy.	In development.	QI Strategy approved and implemented.		
Increasing numbers of staff at all levels trained and competent in QI methodology.	Around 10% of staff with some QI training.	Increased to 25% of all staff with some QI training.		
Partnership QI working across system issues is evident.	Active.	Further activity tracked and successes shared.		
Development of at least two funding bids in collaboration with regional partners.	Two bids in development.	Two bids submitted.		
Development of at least two funding bids in collaboration with a partner HEI under a MOU.	One bid under discussion, one new MOU under development.	Two bids submitted.		
Deliver funded research projects, including 'data only' projects that rely on the provision, linkage and analysis of routine data.	All staff in post.	NIHR CRN metrics on target. Staffing in place.		
Launch of Academic Research Unit.	In planning, due 4 th October 2023.	Launch of ARU.		

Key Milestones		
Milestone	Quarter Timeframe	
Evaluation of 2018/23 QI Strategy.	Q1	
ARU launch event held.	Q2	
QI Strategy approved and launched.	Q3	
Research Institute launch event held.	Q3	
Actively contribute to improvements identified in line with PSIRF.	Q4 (ongoing)	
Additional MOU agreed with academic partner.	Q4	
Research data analyst, paramedic research fellow and senior research fellow in post.	Q4	
Review QI embedding journey.	Q1 2024/25	

Operational Objective 2023/2024

Objective (10): Executive Lead:

Executive Director of Operations - Nick Smith





What is the objective?

YAS will meet staffing and resource requirements through effective and inclusive recruitment, including overseas recruitment, whilst also supporting the retention of staff by meeting wellbeing needs and providing flexible and supported employment, through continuing to develop accessible training pathways, which will support our demand-based workforce requirements, and develop and deliver workforce plans across the three service lines, to ensure recruitment trajectories are realised and improve retention.

Deliver recruitment and retention plans across 999, 111 and PTS.

Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

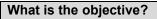
To ensure that YAS meets staffing and resource requirements through developed workforce plans that meet the health and wellbeing needs of staff and ensure they work in a supported and flexible environment that has flexible training approaches to improve staff retention and our ability respond to changing demands, whilst consistently providing the highest quality patient care.

What are we going to focus on?				
Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe
Recruitment plans delivered for 999/EOC.	Deputy Director of Operations	Capacity Planning Group	People	Quarterly
Recruitment plans delivered for 111.	Senior Programme Manager, IUC	Capacity Planning Group, Operational Management Group.	People	Quarterly
Recruitment plans delivered for PTS.	Managing Director, PTS	PTS Operations Group	People	Quarterly
Retention plans delivered for 999/EOC.	Deputy Director of Operations	Capacity Planning Group	People	Quarterly
Retention plans delivered for 111.	Senior Programme Manager, IUC	Capacity Planning Group, Operational Management Group.	People	Quarterly
Retention plans delivered for PTS.	Managing Director, PTS	PTS Operations Group	People	Quarterly

How will we know if we are improving?		
Metric	Current State	Target State
Successful recruitment of Ambulance Support Workers .	51 FTE against a target of 70.	240 ASWs recruited by March 2024.
Successful recruitment of Paramedics.	52 FTE against a target of 48.	288 paramedics recruited by March 2024.
Attrition within expected levels for 999.	27.8 FTE against a forecast of 39.2.	Attrition at 7.2% for 2023/24.
Successful recruitment of EMDs.	46 FTE against 60 places.	130FTE EMDs recruited by March 2024.
Successful recruitment of dispatchers.	3 FTE against 11 places.	40FTE dispatchers recruited by March 2024.
Successful recruitment of clinicians.	13 FTE against 30 places.	78FTE clinicians recruited by March 2024.
Achievement of Target attrition for EMD, Dispatcher, and Clinicians in EOC.	EMD 49.5% against 63.7% expected. Dispatch 12.4% against 9.7% expected. Clinician 6.3% against 11.8% expected.	EMD expected = 51.3%. Dispatch expected = 9.6%. Clinician Expected = 11.7%.
Successful international recruitment for IUC.	4 FTE have arrived and due to start pathways training in August.	15 international nurses recruited by March 2024.
Successful realisation of Health advisory capacity for IUC.	Currently achieving the planned 30FTE per month, however deployed staffing not meeting target due to starting 20FTE behind plan, due to Feb and Mar recruitment and attrition being higher in May and June. Deployed staffing was 393.3 FTE against a planned 442.4 FTE . defoit of 49.1 FTE.	Health advisor establishment is 552FTE by March 2024.
Successful realisation of clinical advisory capacity for IUC.	Currently exceeding the planned 3FTE of clinical resources by monthly, deployed staffing is 67.3 FTE against a 74 FTE plan, this is a deficit of 7 FTE.	Clinical advisory capacity increased to 90 per month from 68 per month, increasing FTE to 22 by March 2024.
IUC Attrition targets realised. For Health advisors and Senior Health Advisors.	Attrition continues to be above the planned levels for May and June, annualised we are currently 50.39% if the remaining months come in on plan, if all future months perform like June, there will be a 72% annualised attrition.	Annualised plan of 45%, this is 48% Q1 and Q2 and 42% Q3 and Q4, monthly monitoring.
IUC Attrition targets realised. For Clinical Advisors.	Attrition planned at 28% annualised and currently 24%.	Annualised plan of 45%, this is 48% Q1 and Q2 and 42% Q3 and Q4, monthly monitoring.
Deliver the trajectory for 2023/24, to get to full establishment by March 2026.	Recruitment 20.2 FTE, against a target of 18.2 FTE. Attrition 10.3 FTE, against a target of 12.1 FTE.	Forecast Recruitment 81.8 FTE. Forecast Attrition 49.9 FTE. Net gain 31.9 FTE.

Key Milestones	
Milestone	Quarter Timeframe
Individualised IPR developed for each service line (999, EOC, 111, PTS) to monitor recruitment and attrition.	Q2
Development and approval of the training plan and pipeline for 24/25 aligning with service demand.	Q3
Development of 3–5-year workforce plans for each service line (999, EOC, 111, PTS).	Q4
Achievement of training plan pipeline for 23/24 in line with expectations.	Q4

Operational Objective 2023/2024		
Objective (11):	Improve staff health and wellbeing with a focus on inclusion and the provision of flexible and supported employment.	
Executive Lead:	Director of People and Organisational Development - Amanda Wilcock	



YAS, in partnership with stakeholders, will provide fit for purpose services to meet the changing needs of our people whilst ensuring they are flexible, accessible, and inclusive.

Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

To create an environment where our staff feel safe, healthy, and supported to perform their best that positively impacts on recruitment and retention. We want to strive for better and promote YAS as an employer of choice.

What are we going to focus on?				
Area of focus	Senior Responsible	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe
	Officer			
Procure and embed occupational health services and	Head of Employee	Health & Wellbeing Group	People Committee	Quarterly
staffing model for April 2024.	Health & Wellbeing	OH Project Board		
Deliver annual Health and Wellbeing Plan with specific	Head of Employee	Health & Wellbeing Group	People Committee	Quarterly
focus on supporting staff mental wellbeing.	Health & Wellbeing			
Undertake a comprehensive review of end-to-end	Head of Diversity &	Diversity & Inclusion Steering Group	People Committee	Quarterly
recruitment process and associated procedures with	Inclusion			
recommendations to improve inclusive recruitment.				
Targeted and focused Absence Reduction including a	Deputy Director of	Operational Efficiency Group	People Committee	Quarterly
review of absence management approaches, policy and	People & OD			
processes.				
Develop a series of inclusive learning interventions for	Head of Diversity &	Diversity & Inclusion Steering Group	People Committee	Quarterly
people leaders specific to supporting staff living with	Inclusion			
disabilities and LGBT, BME colleagues.				

How will we know if we are improving?			Key Milestones	
Metric	Current State	Target State	Milestone Quarter Timeframe	
Occupational Health (OH) Management information including contract KPIs.	Various, reported HWB meeting.	Access and usage of services.	OH services procurement next steps approved, Q2 and contracts awarded by August 2023.	
Feedback including improvements to National Staff Survey results.	Engagement 6.0. Morale 5.4. Feeling valued 25.5%. Reasonable adjustments 65.7%.	Increased NSS scores above sector average.	Completion of OH services migration and Q4 implementation.	
Streamlined process for inclusive practice in recruitment.	Pockets of good practice.	Consistent approach across the Trust.	Successful roll-out of the mental health first aid Q4 training.	
Line managers feel empowered to support staff and address challenges with needs (National Staff Survey Results).	Improved for WDES, deteriorated for WRES.	Staff feel supported by managers, increasing sense of belonging.	Develop project plan based on recruitment Q4 review recommendations.	
Staff absence rate.	tbc (7.0% in Apr 2023).	Reduce by 1%.	Pilot delivery of inclusive learning interventions Q4 for people leaders in key hot spot areas. Q4	



Operational Objective 2023/2024		
Objective (12):	Respond to priorities within the staff survey and focus on improved response rates.	
Executive Lead:	Director of People and Organisational Development - Amanda Wilcock	



The national Staff Survey is designed to improve employee experience across the NHS and is aligned to the People Promise. Improving the response rate ensures a representative view. Listening and responding to the feedback themes drives improved employee satisfaction and engagement.

Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

The YAS response rate for 2022 was 34% (same as 2021), 16% below the sector average. This low response rate reduces the reliability of the available data and is an indicator of staff engagement.

Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe
Share directorate/team specific staff survey outcomes.	Associate Director of Education & Organisational Development	Leadership & Management Portfolio Governance Board, Trust Management Group, Joint Steering Group.	People Committee	Q1
Publish 'You Said, We Did' actions.	Associate Director of Education & Organisational Development	Leadership & Management Portfolio Governance Board, Trust Management Group, Joint Steering Group.	People Committee	Q2, Q3
Promote the 2023 staff survey to achieve 50% completion, including identification of best practice options to improve response rate.	Associate Director of Education & Organisational Development	Leadership & Management Portfolio Governance Board, Trust Management Group, Joint Steering Group.	People Committee	Q2, Q3
Report 2023 quantitative results subject to embargo conditions.	Associate Director of Education & Organisational Development	Leadership & Management Portfolio Governance Board, Trust Management Group, Joint Steering Group.	People Committee	Q4
Promote Quarterly Pulse Survey.	Associate Director of Education & Organisational Development	Leadership & Management Portfolio Governance Board, Trust Management Group, Joint Steering Group.	People Committee	Jan, Apr, July

How will we know if we are improving?			
Metric	Current State	Target State	
Improved response rates staff survey.	34%.	50%.	
Improved response rates quarterly Pulse.	1.7%.	10%.	
Improved Engagement score.	6.0.	Above sector average.	
Improved Morale score.	5.4.	Above sector average.	

Key Milestones	
Milestone	Quarter Timeframe
Submit YAS incentives for inclusion in national staff survey (NSS).	Q2
National Staff Survey opens.	Q3 (Oct)
Embargoed NSS results received.	Q4
Quarterly Pulse Survey.	Q2, Q4

Operational Objective 2023/2024		
Objective (13):	Develop and implement a new leadership development programme.	
Executive Lead:	Director of People and Organisational Development - Mandy Wilcock	

To provide management and leadership development opportunities to all people leaders at all leadership levels; first line managers to executive leaders. To increase employee morale and retention by improving leadership skills and behaviours including effective appraisals and career conversations.

Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

There is currently no clearly defined leadership development pathway in place and core leadership development programmes were paused in March 2022. Key part of the cultural development programme supported by Moorhouse.

What are we going to focus on?					
Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe	
Deliver 2 cohorts (15 max) Aspiring Leaders Programme.	Associate Director of Education & Organisational Development	Leadership & Management Portfolio Governance Board	People Committee	Q3, Q4	
Launch Mange2Lead.	Associate Director of Education & Organisational Development	Leadership & Management Portfolio Governance Board, Trust Management Group.	People Committee	Q2	
Deliver 6 cohorts (15 max) Lead Together.	Associate Director of Education & Organisational Development	Leadership & Management Portfolio Governance Board	People Committee	Q3, Q4	
Gain approval for Level 7 Senior Leadership development and onboard 10.	Associate Director of Education & Organisational Development	Gate Sub-Group, Trust Management Group.	People Committee	Q3, Q4	
Deliver Board Development Programme.	Associate Director of Education & Organisational Development	Leadership & Management Portfolio Governance Board, Trust Executive Group.	People Committee	Q2, Q3	
>90% Trust Managers trained to deliver effective appraisals.	Associate Director of Education & Organisational Development	Leadership & Management Portfolio Governance Board, Trust Management Group.	People Committee	Q4	

How will we know if we are improving?				
Metric Current State Target Sta				
Appraisal completion rate.	72.2%	90%		
Appraisal Manager training rate.	67.8%	90%		
NSS leadership-related outcomes.	various	Above average		

Key Milestones				
Milestone	Quarter Timeframe			
Manage2Lead sign-off to launch.	Q1			
Gate 2 Senior Leadership Development paper.	Q2			
Revised leadership development programme approval to restart.	Q2			



Operational Objective 2023/2024		
Objective (14):	Understand and utilise data and intelligence to improve patient care and population health.	
Executive Lead:	Chief Information Officer - Simon Marsh	



YAS will drive service improvement through innovation and effective use of digital technologies, including the development of Workforce Management technologies, to ensure capacity and resilience to deliver services safely and enable effective decision making, and continue to improve the safety of medication optimisation, digitalising the process where appropriate through programmes of work, which include embedding prepacked POMs across the Trust.

Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

Developing new and innovative digital technology will improve quality, efficiency and patient experiences, as well as supporting more integrated care and improving the health of the population YAS serve.

What are we going to focus on?					
Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe	
Agree options for Common CAD.	Chief Technology Officer	TBC	Finance & Performance	Quarterly	
Deliver and make available to all clinicians the integrated clinical data from the Yorkshire and Humber Care Record (YHCR) into EPR.	Chief Technology Officer	TBC	Finance & Performance	Quarterly	
Deploy Mobile Date Vehicle Solutions to fleet.	Chief Technology Officer	TBC	Finance & Performance	Quarterly	
Deploy medicines management.	Chief Technology Officer	TBC	Finance & Performance	Quarterly	
999 Performance and quality reporting.	Deputy Director of Operations	TBC	Finance & Performance	Quarterly	

How will we know if we are improving?					
Metric	Current State	Target State			
Common CAD evaluated, options agreed, and implementation planned for delivery in 24/25.	TBC	Ready for delivery in 24/24.			
MDVS fully deployed to YAS fleet.	TBC	Complete			
Medicine Management deployed across YAS.	TBC	Complete and continues to be reviewed.			
Integration of clinical data from the YHCR into EPR is complete and available to all clinicians.	TBC	Complete and available on EPR			
Individual 999 performance and quality reporting delivered.	TBC	Complete			

Key Milestones	
Milestone	Quarter Timeframe
Evaluate and agree options for common CAD by November 2023 and commence implementation planning for delivery in 24/25.	Q3
Deliver integrated clinical data from the Yorkshire and Humber Care Record (YHCR) into EPR and make available to all clinicians by October 2023.	Q3
Fully deploy Mobile Data Vehicle Solutions (MDVS) to the YAS fleet by December 2023.	Q3
Deploy medicines management across YAS by December 2023.	Q3
Deliver individual 999 performance and quality reporting by December 2023.	Q3

Operational Objective 2023/2024			
Objective (15):	Complete the development of a long-term estates plan and open new facilities for logistics and EOC.		
Executive Lead:	Executive Director of Finance - Kathryn Vause		



What is the objective?	Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?
YAS will develop a new 5-year Estate Strategy, with a clear implementation plan which supports the Trust's needs in relation to operations, training, logistics and benefits our communities.	There is currently no approved Estates Strategy in place, this needs to be developed to equip our people with the best environment to support excellent outcomes. The strategy needs to align to the Trust's clinical strategy as well as the Trust's overall strategy. The estate will need to support clinical service delivery and improved operational performance, by providing operational staff with appropriate facilities that support positive Health & Wellbeing. Local training facilities need to be available to support professional development and contact centres and corporate facilities must be agile and resilient to meet flexible demands. Additionally, the estate needs to support the 24/7 nature of the business, facilitating the use of new models of care and service delivery, including digitally enabled services.

What are we going to focus on?					
Area of focus	Senior Responsible	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe	
	Officer				
Development of the Estate Strategy, including the	Associate Director of	Trust Executive Group	Finance & Performance	Quarterly	
implementation plan.	Estates, Fleet & Facilities				
Alignment of Estate Strategy as an enabler of the	Associate Director of	Trust Executive Group	Finance & Performance	Quarterly	
Trust-wide strategy.	Estates, Fleet & Facilities				
Opening of new facilities for logistics and EOC to	Associate Director of	Trust Executive Group	Finance & Performance	Quarterly	
provide additional space and capacity to allow the	Estates, Fleet & Facilities				
delivery of the services in an efficient manner.					

How will we know if we are improving?				
Metric	Current State	Target State		
Discussion and overview of the draft Estate strategy.	In development.	Reviewed and supported by TEG and F&PC		
Approval of the Estate Strategy.	Not yet completed.	Approved by Board		
Completion of Logistics Hub.	In progress.	Completed, handed over and move in		
Completion of new facilities for EOC.	In progress.	Completed and power supply installed		

Key Milestones				
Milestone	Quarter Timeframe			
Discussion and overview of draft Estate Strategy.	Q1			
Logistics Hub completed, handover and move in.	Q2			
Alignment of the Estate Strategy to Trust-wide strategy.	Q4			
Facilities for EOC completed with power supply upgraded for staffing requirements.	Q4			

Operational Objectives 2023/2024				
Objective (16):	Increase the number and diversity of volunteering opportunities and develop supporting infrastructure to improve patient care.			
Executive Lead:	CEO – Peter Reading			





YAS will work to develop plans and a strategic framework that will increase the number and variety of volunteering opportunities and the benefits and impacts of volunteers to patient care.

Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

The impact and benefits volunteers have on patient care is invaluable and it is critical to increase the number and diversity of our volunteers and their roles, which will improve the delivery of care to our communities and patients.

Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe
Progress an organisational culture that values, encourages, promotes, and supports volunteering, reflecting YAS vision and values.	Head of Communications & Community Engagement	Trust Executive Group	People	Quarterly
Developing supporting infrastructures to improve patient care.	Head of Communications & Community Engagement	Trust Executive Group	People	Quarterly
Increasing the diversity of volunteering opportunities across the Trust.	Head of Communications & Community Engagement	Trust Executive Group	People	Quarterly
Increase the numbers and utilisation of volunteer Community First Responders.	Deputy Director of Operations	Trust Executive Group	People	Quarterly

How will we know if we are improving?					
Metric	Current State	Target State			
Collaborative partnerships established and embedded.	Ongoing – some partnerships in place.	Partnerships developed in each ICB, targeting areas of health inequalities.			
Increased number of Trust volunteers.	1,093 registered Trust volunteers.	Increased number of volunteers from start of 2023.			
Increased voluntary opportunities across the Trust.	4 different voluntary opportunities across the Trust.	Number of volunteer opportunities increased from start of 2023.			
Increase the Community First Responder contribution.	Contribution to Category 1 is currently at 6 seconds.	Category 1 call contribution is 20 seconds and volunteering hours are at 20,000 per month.			

Key Milestones				
Milestone	Quarter Timeframe			
YAS Volunteer Development Framework developed, agreed and launched.	Q1			
Develop a robust infrastructure to enable, sustain and enhance current and future volunteering opportunities.	Q3			
YAS to co-develop, pilot, and evaluate AACE volunteering dashboard.	Q4			
Reaccreditation with Investing in Volunteers obtained.	Q4			

Operational Objective 2023/2024		
Objective (17):	Develop and embed our approach to system working.	
Executive Lead:	CEO – Peter Reading	



YAS will continue to develop its engagement across all ICS/ Integrated Care Partnerships (ICP) and Integrated Care Boards (ICB), to ensure, as a system, a collaborative approach is taken to responding to the key national objectives for 2023/24.

Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

Effective collaborative working at System and Place will ensure YAS are responding to and implementing knowledge from shared learning, efficient procurement and utilising the most effective resources.

What are we going to focus on?						
Area of focus	Senior Responsible Officer	Internal Governance	Assurance Reporting	Reporting Timeframe		
Develop and embed the YAS approach to system working.	System Partnership Directors	Trust Executive Group	Finance & Performance	Quarterly		
Introduction of Area Leadership Plans.	System Partnership Directors	Area Leadership	Finance & Performance	Quarterly		
Development of the Partnership Strategy.	System Partnership Directors	Trust Executive Group	Finance & Performance	Quarterly		
Agree the new Integrated Commissioning Framework.	Planning and Strategy Development Director / Director of System Integration for Urgent and Emergency	Trust Executive Group	Finance & Performance	Quarterly		
Conduct a post implementation review of Area Leadership Team arrangements.	Director of Transition	Trust Executive Group	Finance & Performance	Quarterly		
Collaboration by sharing resources, procuring efficiently, and sharing learning with NAA.	System Partnership Directors	Trust Executive Group	Finance & Performance	Quarterly		
Transparently share information with our system partners to actively monitor national UEC objectives, using system information to inform YAS delivery and development.	System Partnership Directors	Trust Executive Group	Finance & Performance	Quarterly		
Identification for joint integrated working opportunities to support delivery of UEC key objectives.	System Partnership Directors	Area Leadership	Finance & Performance	Quarterly		
Reflect ICS Strategy and ICB Joint Forward Plans in YAS strategy and objectives.	System Partnership Directors	Trust Executive Group	Finance & Performance	Quarterly		
Introduce Area scorecard capturing key YAS deliverables as part of the UEC national targets and system priorities.	Chief Information Officer	Area Leadership, Trust Executive Group	Finance & Performance	Quarterly		

How will we know if we are improving?		
Metric	Current State	Target State
Partnership arrangements developed and embedded to achieve YAS strategic aims, meet new ICB Operating Model arrangements from April 2024 and Provider Licence requirements.	SPDs in post – work commenced.	Complete and partnership maintained for future working.
NAA and tri-service collaboration established.	Not yet completed.	Complete and partnership maintained for future working.
Agree new Integrated Commissioning Framework governance arrangements and work programme for 2023/24.	Not yet implemented.	Implemented.
YAS Strategy is reflective of three ICS Strategies and ICB Joint Forward Plans.	Not yet aligned.	Clear alignment with ICS Strategy and ICB Joint Forward Plan.

Key Milestones	
Milestone	Quarter Timeframe
ICB and ICS Partnership maximised, by establishing clear engagement approaches across all ICS / ICP and ICB, via the ICF and continuing to develop and strengthen the ICF to enable effective collaboration with system partners.	Q1
New Integrated Commissioning Framework governance arrangements and work programme for 2023/24 agreed by TEG and 3xICBs.	Q2
Collaboration with NAA and tri-service, looking at opportunities to share resources, procure efficiently and share learning.	Q3
Formal post implementation review completed capturing lesson learned and actions to strengthen operating in future years.	Q4

Operational Objective 2023/2024				
Objective (18):	Embed rigorous financial oversight to ensure efficient use of resources.			
Executive Lead:	Executive Director of Finance - Kathryn Vause			



Why is this a priority / key driver that needs fixing?

To ensure rigorous financial oversight is embedded in the Trust, focussing on improving financial sustainability. In recent years NHS organisations have been focused on the operational management of the Covid-19 pandemic. This focus, coupled with the temporary financial regime which included additional funds, led to efficiency requirements being put on hold. There is now a renewed focus on improving financial sustainability with a need to regain financial grip, while still balancing the competing priorities from operational activity, workforce demands and recovery from the impact of Covid-19. The move to integrated care systems means that organisations cannot think about financial sustainability in isolation, but rather they need to also consider what the impact of their decisions is on other organisations and how other system partners may impact on them. This is at the same time as ensuring that financial sustainability is integrated within the organisation (for example, with quality, activity, workforce and so on).

What are we going to focus on?					
Area of focus	Senior	Internal	Assurance	Reporting	
	Responsible	Governance	Reporting	Timeframe	
	Officer				
Financial plans are entirely consistent with all other plans (both internal and system wide) and have been based on robust assumptions that have been thoroughly tested. All plans have been accepted by management as achievable and approved by the board.	Deputy Director of Finance	Trust Executive Group	Finance & Performance Committee	Q1 (24/25 plans to be developed in line with national planning timetable	
The Board receives financial reports that are triangulated with operational, quality and workforce data, allowing them to ask probing questions and agreeing actions to ensure that operational and financial objectives are met.	Deputy Director of Finance	Trust Executive Group	Finance & Performance Committee, Trust Board	Financial reports are produced monthly and will be presented to all Board and F&PC meetings	
The culture of the organisation recognises the need to achieve the best value from the use of available resources. This is reflected in the 'tone at the top' through to ensuring staff comprehend and are competent to support the achievement of the organisation's financial duties.	Executive Director of Finance	Trust Executive Group	Finance & Performance Committee, Trust Board	Ongoing	
Develop PLICS, Service Line Reporting and Benchmarking activities to support the Trust in the identification of Cost Improvement/Waste Reduction opportunities; embedding these processes so that they are regarded as part of managing the business and are integral to the delivery of financial sustainability.	Deputy Director of Finance	Organisational Efficiency Group, Trust Executive Group.	Finance & Performance Committee	Q4	

How will we know if we are improving?			Key Milestones		
Metric	Current State Target State		Milestone	Quarter Timeframe	
All plans have been accepted by management as achievable and approved by the board.	Plans are approved.	Plans are approved	Achievement of plans will be reported in monthly financial performance reports. Delivery will be most apparent Q3 onwards.	Q1	
Budget holders have signed off and agreed their budgets and will work within their resource allocation to support the achievement of their agreed objectives.	Budgets are in process of being signed off.	All budgets signed off	All budgets signed off with budget holders having a clear understanding of what financial resource is available to them and delivery of operational requirements within that resource.	Q2 onwards	
Budget Book outlining responsibilities, with signposting to key resources and information to support effective financial management.	In development.	Complete	Sent to budget holders.	Q2	
Tailored reports to reflect the appropriate level of detail provided to F&PC and Public Board.	Single detailed finance report produced monthly.	Summary report for Board developed	All committee reporting deadlines are met, with timely information reported at all appropriate meetings.	Q2 onwards	
Achievement of Financial Duties Targets.	Forecast to achieve.	Achieved	Monitored Monthly, achieved as of 31 March 2024.	Q4	