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| Report Title | Audit and Risk Committee – Chair’s Report |
| Author (name and title) | Andrew Chang, Non-Executive Director / Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee |
| Accountable Director | Chief Executive |
| Previous committees/groups | |
| Recommended action(s) Approval, Assurance, Information | Assurance/Information |
| Purpose of the paper | The report provides highlights of the Audit and Risk Committee held on 12 November 2024 to provide assurance to the Trust Board. |
| Recommendation(s) | The Board is asked to note the contents of the report. |

Executive summary (overview of main points)

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| Trust Strategy Bold Ambitions Select the most relevant points from the bold ambitions. | Our Patients | Achieve the highest possible rating of ‘outstanding’ by the health and social care regulator (CQC). |
| | Our People | Ensure our culture is one where our people are listened to, encouraged and enabled to speak up when they have concerns about patient or colleague safety and wellbeing, or when they have suggestions for how the Trust might be better run. |
| | Our Partners | Work collaboratively with all our partners to achieve better experiences and outcomes for patients, optimising all of our collective skills and valued resources. Deliver the most appropriate response to patients requiring of out-of-hospital care. |
| | Our Planet and Pounds | Use our resources wisely and ensure value for money. Ensure decisions are informed by evidence, research, data and intelligence. Work towards reducing our impact on the environment and tackling climate change, with net-zero emissions. |
| Link to Board Assurance Framework Risks (board and level 2 committees only) | | All BAF risks |