

Report Title	Corporate Risk: Quarterly Report
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Purpose of the paper	To provide a quarterly update on material changes to corporate risks during the period November 2024 to January 2025.
Recommendation(s)	The Board notes the position regarding corporate risk
	The Board identifies any areas for further information or assurance

This paper provides assurance to the Board of Directors regarding developments in corporate risk during the period November 2024 to January 2025.

The greatest corporate risks remain handover delays in South and in North and East, both scored as the maximum '25' (high risk)

#### 1. Six new corporate risks have been opened:

- Risk 662: PTS Contingency File (12, moderate risk).
- Risk 666: Delayed ICB approval of PTS eligibility criteria (20, high risk).
- Risk 669: Associate Ambulance Practitioner (AAP) Apprentices passed planned end date (PPED). (12, moderate risk).
- Risk 670: Loss of SMS service through 111 CAD (16, high risk).

- Risk 672: Insufficient capability for mass communication in event of major/critical incident (12, moderate risk).
- Risk 648: South Fleet Availability (15, high risk).

## As detailed in the paper:

- One existing corporate risk has increased in score: this relates to operational performance in the North and East
- Three corporate risks have been reduced but remain on the corporate risk register
- Five corporate risks have been de-escalated from the corporate risk register but remain open and will be managed via local risk registers
- Two corporate risks have been closed

Strategic	Our Patients	
ambition(s) this supports	Our People	
Provide brief bullet point details of link to Trust strategy	Our Partners	All strategic ambitions
	Our Planet and Pounds	
Link with the BAF In (board and level 2 com	nclude reference number mittees only)	All BAF strategic risks

# 1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 This paper provides assurance to the Board of Directors regarding developments in corporate risk during the period November 2024 to January 2025. The report focuses on:
  - Material changes to risks captured in the Corporate Risk Register
  - Areas of emerging risk.
- 1.2 This risk report is prepared as part of the quarterly cycle of risk assurance for Audit and Risk Committee and for the Trust Board. Risk reports are also presented to the Trust Executive Group, to the Board's assurance committees, and the Audit and Risk Committee.

## 2.0 CONTEXT

- 2.1 Risk is inherent in all Trust activities. Risk management is everybody's business. Failure to manage risk well could lead to harm to patients, staff or others, loss or damage to the Trust's reputation and assets, financial loss, and potential for complaints, litigation, and adverse publicity. Effective risk management is essential at all levels and across all activities of the organisation to support safe and highquality service delivery and pro-active planning for Trust development.
- 2.2 An important element of the Trust's risk management arrangements is regular reporting to governance bodies and management groups, including the Board and its committees, of current corporate risks, changes in corporate risk exposures, and areas of emerging corporate risk.

## 3.0 CORPORATE RISKS

- 3.0.1 The Corporate Risk Register is reviewed by the Risk and Assurance Group (RAG) monthly. It comprises all risks that have a current risk score of **12 or above** (based on the criteria found in the Trust's risk evaluation matrix). The Corporate Risk Register for January 2025 is issued separately as supporting material for this meeting.
- 3.0.2 The greatest corporate risks both concern hospital handover: follows:
  - Risk 623: Hospital Handover (South) 25 (high risk)
  - Risk 602: Hospital Handover (North and East) 25 (high risk)
- 3.03 Persistent and serious handover delays, and the risk exposures associated with these, are not uniformly present across the Trust's footprint and therefore each CBU is now reporting risks associated with their own area separately. Overall, the severity of the risk remains high for the Trust as the impact of handover delays on patients is potentially catastrophic. It is widely recognised that hospital handover is a system concern relating to wider and multi-faceted issues of patient flow, and the Trust is engaged with multiple system partners in work to reduce handover delays.

## 3.1 NEW CORPORATE RISKS

- 3.1.1 Six new corporate risks have been opened: Three of these new corporate risks have been assessed as high risk:
  - Risk 666: Delayed ICB approval of PTS eligibility criteria (20, high risk).
  - Risk 670: Loss of SMS service through 111 CAD (16, high risk). [subsequently closed]
  - Risk 648: South Fleet Availability (15, high risk).
- 3.1.2 The other three new corporate risks have been assessed as moderate risk:
  - Risk 662: PTS Contingency File (12, moderate risk).
  - Risk 669: Associate Ambulance Practitioner (AAP) Apprentices passed planned end date (PPED). (12, moderate risk).
  - Risk 672: Insufficient capability for mass communication in event of major/critical incident (12, moderate risk).
- 3.1.3 Appendix A presents more detailed information about these new corporate risks.

## 3.2 EXISTING CORPORATE RISKS THAT HAVE INCREASED

- 3.2.1 One existing risk on the Corporate Risk Register has increased:
  - Risk 603: North and East Operational Performance (increased from 16 to 20, high risk).
- 3.2.2 Appendix B presents more detailed information about this risk.

## 3.3 CORPORATE RISKS REDUCED IN SCORE

- 3.3.1 Three corporate risks have been reduced in score but remain on the Corporate Risk Register:
  - Risk 559: Safeguarding Referrals to Local Authorities from Yorkshire Ambulance Service (reduced from 16 to 12, moderate risk).
  - Risk 54: Clinical Capacity NHS 111/IUC (reduced from 20 to 16, high risk).
  - Risk 564: Right Care, Right Person (reduced from 16 to 12, moderate risk).
- 3.3.2 Appendix C presents more detailed information about the above risks.

## 3.4 DE-ESCALATED CORPORATE RISKS

- 3.4.1 Six risks have been de-escalated from the Corporate Risk Register. These risks remain open and are managed via local risk registers:
  - Risk 560: Capital Departmental Expenditure Limit (reduced from 16 to 6, low risk)
  - Risk 561: CDEL Lease Notification (reduced from 12 to 6, low risk)
  - Risk 515: Joint Decision Model (JDM) training in EOC (reduced from 12 to 9, moderate risk).
  - Risk 421: Computer Aided Dispatch Issue (reduced from 12 to 9, moderate risk).
  - Risk 557: Continuous Improvement (Incidents & Exercises) (reduced from 12 to 9, moderate risk).
  - Risk 614: West Lack of adherence to controlled drug documentation requirements (reduced from 15 to 10, moderate risk).
- 3.4.2 Appendix D presents more detailed information about these risks.

## 3.5 CLOSED RISKS

- 3.5.1 Two corporate risks have been closed:
  - Risk 592: Fire Safety Officer Role
  - Risk 628: South A&E Operations Staffing Resource
- 3.5.2 Appendix E presents more detailed information about these closed risks.

## 3.6 EMERGING RISKS

3.6.1 The following areas of emerging risk have been identified:

#### 1. Training Plan Delivery 2025/26

An emerging risk has been identified with regards to the delivery of the training plan for operations. A risk assessment will identify the extraction requirements to deliver the plan and the impact of those extractions. Additionally, this will include the impact of limiting extractions and training compliance to determine level of risk to the Trust.

#### 2. Clinical Refresher Compliance

An emerging risk has been identified regarding Clinical Refresher sessions compliance. Work is underway to quantify the risk and identify the gaps and controls to determine the level of risk to the Trust.

#### 4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 This report has no direct financial implications.

#### 5. RISK

- 5.1 Failure to identify and manage strategic risks in a timely and appropriate manner could prevent the Trust from achieving its strategic objectives.
- 5.2 Failure to identify and manage operational risks in a timely and appropriate manner could prevent service lines and support functions from achieving their objectives.
- 5.3 Failure to demonstrate suitably robust and effective risk management arrangements could have an adverse impact on the Trust's reputation and could attract regulatory attention.

#### 6. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 6.1 The Board:
  - 1. Notes the position regarding corporate risks
  - 2. identifies any areas for further information or assurance.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

#### Enclosed with this report

Appendix A: New Corporate Risks Appendix B: Corporate Risks that have Increased **Appendix C**: Corporate Risks that have Reduced (but remain on the corporate risk register)

**Appendix D**: De-Escalated Corporate Risks (these remain open on local risk registers) **Appendix E**: Closed Corporate Risks

### **Circulated for Information**

Corporate Risk Register: General - January 2025 Corporate Risk Register: Operations - January 2025

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#### APPENDIX A: NEW CORPORATE RISKS

NEW CORPORATE RISK 1							
Reference	662						
Title	Patient Tran	sp	ort Service Contingency F	ile			
Committee	Finance and	Pe	rformance Committee				
Directorate	Operations						
Business Area	Patient Trans	spo	rt Service				
Risk Owner	Chris Dexter	, M	anaging Director PTS				
BAF Links			maintain effective emergeno rrangements.	cy preparedness, resilience,			
Context	Context A data offload exporting all live PTS journeys happens every three minutes for contingency purposes. Microsoft no longer supports macros therefore making the data offload unreadable in raw format within the PTS logistics team.						
Opening	Score		Current Score	Target Score			
12 (Modera	te Risk)		12 (Moderate Risk)	4 (Low Risk)			
FULL RISK DES	SCRIPTION						
WHAT	lf		The PTS contingency file f	ails			
	Then		There will be delays in implementing PTS business continuity plans				
SO WHAT	Resulting in.		Patient journeys being compromised.				
WHAT NEXT	Key Mitigatio Actions	'n	Ongoing support from ICT for a resolution. Cleric also working on splitting the data down by area, to make this easier accessed.				

NEW CORPORATE RISK 2								
Reference	666	666						
Title	Delayed Integ	rated Care Board approval	of PTS eligibility criteria					
Committee	Finance and P	erformance Committee						
Directorate	Operations							
Business Area	Patient Transp	ort Service						
Risk Owner	Chris Dexter, N	Ianaging Director PTS						
BAF Links	3, Support pati	ent flow across the urgent an	d emergency care system					
Context	t Criteria for patients have been revised by NHSE and due to be in place b April 2025. Each ICB has different governance requirements that need satisfying to implement those changes, these may not be approved for YAS to mobilise the project for an April 2025 go-live date. This will reduce the efficiencies that can be achieved that year by approximately £163,000 for every month delayed across all regions.							
Opening	Score	Current Score	Target Score					
20 (High	Risk)	15 (High Risk)	5 (Low Risk)					
FULL RISK DES	SCRIPTION							
WHAT	lf	Local decision-making processes around the implementation of NHS England's revised eligibility criteria for non-emergency patient transport services ar not aligned across the three ICBs						
	Then	There may be a delay to fu criteria which will mean that patient journey will not red	at the number of non-eligible					
SO WHAT	Resulting in…	Resulting in A failure to achieve the anticipated in-year efficiencies for financial year 2025-26.						
WHAT NEXT	Key Mitigation Actions	The risk was initially score assurances have been pro eligibility implementation w April 2025. Risk likelihood until formalised.	vided by ICBs that the					

NEW CORPORATE RISK 3							
Reference	669	669					
Title	Associate Ar planned end		ulance Practitioner (AAP) / ite (PPED).	Apprentices passed			
Committee	People Com	mit	tee				
Directorate	People and 0	Drg	anisational Development				
Business Area	Education						
Risk Owner	Dawn Adams Developmen		ssociate Director of Education	on and Organisational			
BAF Links	9, Develop a development		sustain improvements in lea	dership and staff training and			
Context	Current rates Therefore, the been sudden	at e T an	r apprentices going over the the time of raising the risk w rust is non-compliant with re d sharp however if this were with impact on Levy funding	ere approximately 40%. quirements. The increase has to remain high there is a			
Opening	Score		Current Score	Target Score			
12 (Modera	te Risk)		12 (Moderate Risk)	4 (Low Risk)			
FULL RISK DES	SCRIPTION						
WHAT	lf		The percentage of AAP Ap planned end date remains	prentices going passed their above 15%,			
	Then		The Trust will remain non-compliant with the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA)				
SO WHAT	Resulting in.		Reclaimed levy payments and inability to register further apprentices				
WHAT NEXT	Key Mitigatio Actions	'n	•	rk for completion. Ongoing teps and escalation to PGB.			

NEW CORPORATE RISK 4							
Reference	erence 670						
Title	Loss of SM	S service through 111 CAD					
Committee	Finance and	Performance Committee					
Directorate	Operations						
Business Area	Remote Care	e / IUC					
Risk Owner	Julia Nixon, /	Associate COO - Remote Pa	tient Care				
BAF Links	3, Support p	atient flow across the urgent	and emergency care system				
Context	Context The removal of the SMS service has resulted in the average handling time increasing to around 650 seconds. Significant impact on Health Advisor availability and impacts on service offered.						
Opening	Score	Current Score	Target Score				
16 (High	Risk)	16 (High Risk)	4 (Low Risk)				
FULL RISK DES	SCRIPTION						
WHAT	lf	The current inaccessibil the 111 CAD continues	ity of the SMS system through				
	Then	The Average Handling T increase	Fime (AHT) will continue to				
SO WHAT	Resulting in.	-	An inability to maintain services at an acceptable rate and potential patient harm.				
WHAT NEXT	Key Mitigatic Actions	The risk was highlighted in November 2024. ICT / Service Development, National Team, and Software provider re-established service on the 11 <sup>th</sup> December therefore mitigating the risk. <b>This risk is now closed.</b>					

NEW CORPORATE RISK 5							
Reference	672	672					
Title	Insufficient ca major/critical	pability for mass communic	cation in event of a				
Committee	Finance and F	Performance Committee					
Directorate	Operations						
Business Area	Central Servic	es					
Risk Owner	Liz Eastwood,	Head of Service Delivery and	l Quality				
BAF Links		d maintain effective emergenc arrangements.	cy preparedness, resilience,				
Context	The Trust currently does not commission a supported mass communication tool in the event of incident delays the comms, mobilisation and coordination of staff including special ops. Current process is timely and heavily reliant on human factors, therefore subject to error and delays. The risk is associated with multiple EPRR Core Standards and interoperability standards and fails to meet legislative requirements.						
Opening	Score	Current Score	Target Score				
12 (Modera	te Risk)	12 (Moderate Risk)	3 (Low Risk)				
FULL RISK DES	SCRIPTION						
WHAT	lf	The Trust does not have a robust and reliable methodology to support two-way communication with large groups of people in the event of a major, critical, or other serious incident					
	Then	There will be delays to the response and the notificati response with system part					
SO WHAT	Resulting in…	Potential adverse impact on the outcome of patients due to delayed treatment and care.					
WHAT NEXT	Key Mitigation Actions	Full review of the risk and a outlined as part of Busines					

NEW CORPORATE RISK 6							
Reference	648	648					
Title	Fleet Availabi	lity: South					
Committee	Finance and F	Performance Committee					
Directorate	Operations						
Business Area	South Operati	ons					
Risk Owner	Adam Layland	l, Director of Partnerships and	l Operations				
BAF Links	1, Deliver a tir	nely response to patients					
Context	Context Risk raised as part of ongoing issue that crews are available with no vehicles at start of shifts due to delays from previous crew or VOR. Risk also recorded for West (score 6) and N&E (score 9).						
Opening	Score	Current Score	Target Score				
20 (High	Risk)	15 (High Risk)	5 (Low Risk)				
FULL RISK DES	SCRIPTION						
WHAT	lf		for staff at the start of their comes unavailable through				
	Then	There will be no ability for	staff to respond to patients				
SO WHAT	Resulting in	Delayed response and har staff wellbeing	m to patients, and impact on				
WHAT NEXT	Key Mitigation Actions	The risk was initially score of new fleet has seen som Ongoing work with fleet an availability.					

#### APPENDIX B: EXISTNG CORPORATE RISKS THAT HAVE INCREASED IN SCORE

Ref	Title	Area	WHAT	SO WHAT	Change		- Rationale	WHAT NEXT
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603	Operational Performance: North and East	Operations	IF there is an increase in demand/acuity split across the Accident and Emergency Operations service THEN there may be excessive response times	RESULTING IN a potential risk to patient safety	16	20	Increased demand across the North and East areas for Category 1 and Category 2 calls: increased the likelihood of risk to patients.	Appetite/Target:6Ongoing monitoring and mitigations to manage demand.andRoll out of Integrated Care Co-ordination Hubs in the North and East areas will support Category 3 and other lower acuity demand.

Ref	Title	Area	WHAT	SO WHAT		nge	Rationale	WHAT NEXT	
599	Safeguarding Referrals to Local Authorities from Yorkshire Ambulance Service	Safeguar ding	IF the Safeguarding referrals leaving the organisation do not contain high quality information and correct and detail THEN social care partners will not be able to review and triage them correctly	RESULTING IN patients not getting help promptly and being at risk of further harm or abuse.	From 16	To 12	Paediatric Liaison Nurse role provides assurance that catastrophic harm is less likely. Process improvements made and quality audit evidencing an increase in quality of referrals. External audit carried out by Wakefield Children's Services with	Appetite/Target: 4 Quality audit to be reported internally and externally. The findings will inform further actions and training workplan.	
54	Clinical Capacity NHS 111/IUC	Remote Care / IUC	IF the Trust is unable to recruit and retain sufficient clinical staffing capacity THEN there is a risk to the delivery of clinical advice in appropriate timescales	RESULTING IN a risk of not being able to deliver NHS 111 First	20	16	positive feedback. Successful recruitment within IUC has reduced the risk likelihood. Still reliant on agency staff therefore remains on the corporate risk register	Appetite/Target: 6 Continue push of clinic recruitment and exploration of non- traditional routes to secure staff.	

### APPENDIX C: CORPORATE RISKS THAT HAVE REDUCED BUT REMAIN ON THE CORPORATE RISK REGISTER

Ref	Title	Area	WHAT	SO WHAT	Cha	nge	Rationale	WHAT NEXT
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564	Right Care, Right Person	Operations	IF Police forces fail to work collaboratively with the Trust to implement the Right Care Right Person operational model in a proportionate and sustainable way THEN Police forces fail to work collaboratively with the Trust to implement the Right Care Right Person operational model in a proportionate and sustainable way	RESULTING IN Increased demand on EOC, IUC and operational crews. Increased potential for physical or psychological harm to Trust staff. Reputational risk arising from the Trust being involved in a disproportionate number of Coroners' investigations.	16	12	Additional question set added into EOC, ongoing review and proposals to Clinical Governance Group. Continue to see no incidents reported.	Appetite/Target: 3 New NHSE guidance published, action to align Trust processes with framework.

### APPENDIX D: RISKS THAT HAVE BEEN DE-ESCALATED FROM THE CORPORATE RISK REGISTER

Ref	Title	Area		WHAT SO WHAT Change		nge	Rationale	WHAT NEXT
Rei	The	Alea	WIA	SO WIAI	From	То	Nationale	WHAT NEXT
560	Capital Departmental Expenditure Limit	Finance	IF the CDEL (Capital Departmental Expenditure Limit) is not sufficient the Trust may not be able to proceed with all planned asset acquisitions (including fleet, estates, medical equipment, and ICT) THEN the Trust will need to reprioritise the capital plan and make decisions about which schemes to pursue or abandon	RESULTING IN inefficiency leading to increased revenue costs, patient harm if equipment fails or contributes to delayed response, inability to meet performance objectives (e.g. improving Category 2 performance), and reputational damage.	16	6	Allocations have been confirmed and the 2024/25 capital plan funded. No request to cut back on the capital plan which covers the most urgent operational requirements and is forecast to remain within that allocation. Risk is significantly reduced for 2024/25.	Appetite/Target 4 The risk will be managed via the local risk register to review the efficacy of measures.
561	CDEL Lease Notification	Finance	IF the CDEL (Capital Departmental Expenditure Limit) is not notified in a timely way THEN the Trust may have already committed to lease agreements and so risk breaching the CDEL	RESULTING IN failure to meet the statutory duty to remain within financial limits, increased scrutiny and oversight from NHSE, loss of management controls, requirement to manage CDEL at ICB level (other Trusts may need to scale back their capital plans to offset our overspends), reduction to funding in future years, and reputational damage.	12	6		Appetite/Target 3 The risk will be managed via the local risk register to review the efficacy of measures.

Ref	Title	Area	WHAT	SO WHAT	Change		Rationale	WHAT NEXT	
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515	Joint Decision Model (JDM) training in EOC	Safety	IF the JDM training is not provided to Dispatch Leaders and Duty Managers within the EOC in a practical timeframe THEN frontline staff are going to feel pressurised to attend locations/ situations that they have dynamically risk assessed as being too much of a safety risk	RESULTING IN poor communication between both parties, decrease in morale on both sides and potential for staff to be placed at significant risk of harm.	12	9	Increased compliance to 68% of identified roles within EOC therefore reducing the likelihood of the risk materialising. Training also now included as part of induction for new starters.	Appetite/Target 4 Command and Resilience group to identify long-term training packages for EOC staff including refreshers.	
421	Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) Issue: Special Operations Response Team (SORT)	Central Services	IF the CAD does not contain up to date information regarding SORT trained staff THEN EOC may dispatch staff who are not adequately trained or available to respond to an incident in a SORT capacity	RESULTING IN a direct impact on the organisations ability to release and make available within 10 minutes of a PLATO incident (marauding terrorist attack) being declared in line with core standards, and also a delay in the mobilisation of SORT staff to a Chemical, Biological, Radioactive or Nuclear (CBRN) or other hazardous materials incident.	12	9	CAD data updated monthly to include SORT operatives. Therefore, reduced risk likelihood.	Appetite/Target 1 Further updates to ensure identification of skillsets across ESR, CAD and GRS. Initial testing conducted. Final test to be completed April 2025.	

Ref	Title	Area	WHAT	SO WHAT	Change		Dationala	WHAT NEXT	
					From	То	Rationale	WHAT NEXT	
557	Continuous Improvement (Incidents and Exercises)	Central Services	IF YAS do not ensure that lessons identified from live incidents and exercises are not captured and embedded THEN there is potential for failure to make service improvements	RESULTING IN potential for the risk of avoidable harm/death, failure to comply with the EPRR core standards and statutory requirements Civil Contingencies Act 2004 for all Category 1 and Category 2 responders, increased financial costs and significant damage to the reputation of the Trust.	12	9	Debrief Policy and process approved and implemented. New system (Lessonflow) allows learning to be identified and actioned.	Appetite/Target3Work continues to embed the new lessons process with business continuity leads and specific key teams within the Trust.	
614	West - Lack of adherence to controlled drug documentation requirements	Operation s	IF YAS does not adhere to the controlled drug documentation requirements including witness signatures and documenting the incident number in the station controlled drugs register THEN the Trust is failing to meet legislative requirements and is creating a lack of visibility and auditability of controlled drugs stocks	RESULTING IN an inability to account for loss in a timely manner, and possible staff or patient harm.	15	10	Audit process now allows non-compliant staff to be identified and management process implemented including education. Significant improvement in compliance rates, therefore risk likelihood reduced.	Appetite/Target 5 Ongoing work with support of Trust Pharmacist, frequent monitoring to ensure compliance.	

## APPENDIX E: CORPORATE RISKS THAT HAVE BEEN CLOSED

Ref	Title	Area	WHAT	SO WHAT	Change		Detionals		
					From	То	Rationale	WHAT NEXT	
592	Fire Safety Officer Role	Estates	IF a Fire Safety officer is not appointed within the Trust	RESULTING IN potential staff harm, reputational damage, and failure to meet Health and Safety legislative requirements	12	6>	Fire Safety and Compliance Manager now in position. Fire assessments undertaken and high priority tasks identified now underway.	Appetite/Target	6
			THEN there is no specified position to advise the Trust on all fire safety matters and provide technical fire expertise in order that it can fulfil its obligations					Risk closed	
628	South - A&E Operations Staffing Resource	Operations	IF the budgeted number of FTE is not able to be achieved	RESULTING IN increased	15	5>	South Yorkshire recruitment has been successful. Risk mitigated.	Appetite/Target	5
			THEN there will be a significant shortfall in available resource hours to respond to patients	response times to incidents.				Risk closed.	