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Purpose of the paper	This paper presents the status of Board Assurance Framework strategic risks. The position reported relates to the close of Q3 and transition into Q4.
Recommendation(s)	The Board:
	Notes the current position regarding BAF strategic risks
	2. Identifies any areas for further investigation or assurance

This paper presents the status of Board Assurance Framework (BAF) strategic risks. This report presents three key messages regarding the BAF strategic risks:

- 1. No strategic risks have increased in score from Q3 to Q4
- 2. One strategic risk has reduced in score from Q3 to Q4, in line with forecast:
 - Risk 5: Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response
- 3. Three strategic risks remain at a level that exceeds the forecast exposure for Q4:
 - Risk 3: Patient Flow
 - Risk 8: Recruitment and Retention
 - Risk 12: Revenue Resources

All other strategic risk exposures are as forecast for Q4.

The paper also reports the outcome of the recent internal audit review of the Board Assurance Framework: the review reported 'significant assurance'.

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

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 This paper presents the status of the Board Assurance Framework strategic risks at the close of Q3 and transition into Q4.

2.0 KEY MESSAGES

- 2.1 This report presents three key messages regarding the BAF strategic risks:
 - 1. No strategic risks have increased in score from Q3 to Q4
 - 2. One strategic risk has reduced in score from Q3 to Q4, in line with forecast:
 - Risk 5: Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response
 - 3. Three strategic risks remain at a level that exceeds the forecast exposure:
 - Risk 3: Patient Flow
 - Risk 8: Recruitment and Retention
 - Risk 12: Revenue Resources
- 2.2 All other strategic risk exposures are as forecast for Q4.
- 2.3 The Q4 risk exposures presented in this report refer to position at the end of Q3 and start of Q4. There will be a further report that captures the position at the end of Q4 ('year-end').

3.0 CONTEXT

- 3.1 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.
- 3.2 Effective risk management is essential at all levels and across all activities of the organisation to support safe and high-quality service delivery and pro-active planning for Trust development.
- 3.3 The Board Assurance Framework represents ownership by the Board of the key risks to the achievement of the organisation's strategic objectives.

4.0 BOARD ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK

- 4.1 The Board Assurance Framework (BAF) presents the key areas of strategic risk associated with the Trust's ambitions. It also sets out the key control and assurance developments required to mitigate these risks, and the most important actions associated with these.
- 4.2 The Trust has adopted a strategy for the period 2024-29, based around four strategic 'bold ambitions':
 - Our Patients
 - Our People
 - Our Partners
 - Our Planet and Pounds
- 4.3 To align with this strategy the Trust has developed a set of strategic risks based on these four bold ambitions, and, subsequently, a new Board Assurance Framework.
- 4.4 The new strategic risks were approved in principle by the Trust Board at its meeting in Public on 30 May 2024, refined at a Board Strategic Forum session on 20 June 2024, and approved by the Board as part of the new Board Assurance Framework on 25 July 2024. These risks are as follows:

1. Our Patients

- Ability to deliver a timely response to patients.
- Ability to provide patients with access to appropriate care.
- Ability to support patient flow across the healthcare system.
- Ability to strengthen quality governance and medicines management.
- Ability to develop and maintain effective emergency preparedness, resilience, and response arrangements.

2. Our People

- Ability to develop and sustain an open and positive workplace culture.
- Ability to support staff health and well-being effectively.
- Ability to deliver and sustain improvements in recruitment and retention.
- Ability to deliver and sustain improvements in leadership and staff training and development.

3. Our Partners

- Ability to act as a collaborative, integral, and influential system partner.
- Ability to collaborate effectively to improve population health and reduce health inequalities.

4. Our Planet and Pounds

- Ability to secure sufficient revenue resources and use them wisely to ensure value for money.
- Ability to secure sufficient capital resources and use them wisely to ensure value for money.
- Ability to deliver safe and effective digital technology developments and cyber security arrangements.
- Ability to act responsibly and effectively in response to climate change
- 4.5 The remainder of this report sets out the latest position regarding these strategic risks. Appendix A sets out an 'at a glance' position of all BAF strategic risks. In line with the reporting format agreed by the Trust Board, Appendix B presents a one-page status report for each risk. In respect of the status of mitigation actions, these reports adopt a version of RAG-rating consistent with that adopted by the Trust for reporting on business plan delivery actions. This is as follows:
 - Green: on-track (or complete)
 - Amber: off-track but within approved tolerances and / or likely to be brought back on track via a recovery plan
 - Red: off-track and unlikely to be brought back on track
- 4.6 The Board should note that it receives assurance regarding the management of strategic risks from multiple sources, not just this report. Appendix C presents a signpost to other sources of assurance found in the papers for the Board meetings held on 30 January 2025.

5.0 RISKS THAT HAVE BEEN REDUCED

Strategic Risk 5. Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response

- 5.1 This strategic risk has been reduced from 'high' to 'moderate' in line with the forecast risk profile for the year. The Trust has made significant improvement progress on EPRR and has achieved positive positions regarding compliance with the EPRR Core Standards and the EPRR Interoperability Standards. The self-assessed status of 'substantial compliance' with the EPPR standards has now been verified and confirmed externally (NHSE). The Trust has also received favourable third-party assurance regarding ISO 22301 compliance relating to Business Continuity. On this basis the risk exposure is reduced in Q4 in line with the forecast.
- 5.2 A significant area of remaining EPPR risk relates to the Trust's ability to implement the recommendations arising from the Manchester Arena Inquiry. This is a risk for all ambulance trusts and is not specific to this Trust. The Trust is able to implement some aspects of the recommendations from within its own resources. However, full implementation will require significant additional

investment from external sources. The funding has not been identified at either national, regional, or system/ICB level. The Trust is managing a corporate risk relating to major incident response capabilities. Implementation of the mitigation actions for this risk has resulted in the strengthening of the Trust's capabilities and this risk is forecast to reduce to below the corporate risk threshold during 2024/25.

6.0 RISKS EXCEEDING FORECAST

Strategic Risk 3: Patient Flow

- 6.1 This remains a high risk (20) and is above the forecast risk exposure for Q4. A key element of patient flow is hospital handover times, which deteriorated markedly during Q3. The handover risk has been focussed on particular hospital sites within the Trust's operational footprint, notably in South Yorkshire and in North and East Yorkshire. However, during Q3 the position also deteriorated in West Yorkshire, leading to an increase in the risk in that geographic area.
- 6.2 Another element of patient flow is provision of the non-emergency Patient Transport Service. This has a key role in taking non-emergency patients to hospital and, crucially for urgent and emergency care patient flow, supports timely patient discharge from hospital. Demand for PTS provision, and demand from higher acuity patients, is greater than planned. Higher levels of forecast demand can be met via private providers, but this incurs unplanned costs that have an adverse impact on the Trust's financial position.
- 6.3 What Next: focussed work with partner trusts to reduce handover delays, including implementation of operational / clinical protocols ('Transfer of Care') relating to handover time limits. Recent implementation of such protocols in at some hospital sites has had a notable positive impact. Response times during the second and third week of January have been much improved, although it is too early to consider this to be a sustained improvement that would support a reduction in the patient flow risk.

Strategic Risk 8. Recruitment and Retention

- 6.4 This risk was forecast for reduction from high risk to moderate risk at Q3, based on the planned achievement of recruitment levels and some improvements in retention. Overall, the Trust has achieved high levels of recruitment across most service areas, although modest variances have affected some staff groups. Retention remains more challenging, particularly in NHS111/IUC, and the People Committee advised in November that it would be premature to reduce the risk during Q3. For the transition to Q4 this is held as a high risk, above forecast.
- 6.5 Agency spend has been prominent in NHS111/IUC and although this has been reduced as the year progresses the Trust is forecast to exceed its agency cap. New working arrangements have been introduced to IUC as part of the change programme approved by the Board last year. However, some of the new

- arrangements have experienced delayed implementation. The EOC restructure has been approved and is being implemented.
- 6.6 <u>What Next</u>: further implementation of the IUC change programme measures to support improved retention rates, embedding of the EOC change programme.

Strategic Risk 12. Revenue Resources

- 6.7 The forecast year-end break-even revenue position carries an element of risk. During Q3 the monthly finance reporting showed an improving position regarding the risk to year-end break-even. However, during Q3 the Trust also identified significant risks to relating to (a) income previously allocated to support improvement in ambulance response times and (b) PTS income.
- 6.8 The Trust has introduced a series of 'grip and control' measures and budget reviews to reduce discretionary expenditure in the remainder of 2024/25, as well as enacting a range of technical adjustments. The Trust Board will receive assurance about these measures and the latest position regarding financial risk at its meeting on 30 January.
- 6.9 <u>What Next</u>: continued focus on 'grip and control' measures, consideration of other steps required to reduce discretionary expenditure in the remainder of 2024/2, further technical adjustments.

7. RISK UNDER REVIEW

Strategic Risk 14. Digital Technology and Cyber Security

7.1 This risk remains stable and is within the forecast exposures at Q4. However, this risk is subject to further review and re-assessment in the context of cyber security and information assurance awareness sessions undertaken by the Board, the SIRO and the deputy SIROs.

8. INTERNAL AUDIT REVIEW

- 8.1 During Q3 the Trust's internal auditors, 360 Assurance, carried out a review of the Board Assurance Framework. This review was scheduled as part of the Internal Audit Plan for 2024/25.
- 8.2 The review of the Board Assurance Framework considered the following:
 - There is a fit for purpose BAF in place which has had been developed with appropriate engagement from the Board
 - There is a clear programme to report the BAF to the Board and its assurance committees during the year which is adhered to
 - The BAF is used as a live tool for managing strategic risks and supports robust discussion at Board and its assurance committees

- The Audit and Risk Committee fulfils its responsibilities in relation to the BAF as set out within its Terms of Reference
- Risks in the BAF reflect those being faced by the organisation and are aligned to the organisation's strategic objectives
- Meaningful actions are taken to mitigate risks which impact on risk scores, controls and assurances.
- 8.3 The review resulted in a rating of 'significant assurance' and noted that some features of the BAF represent leading practice. Copies of the report are available upon request.

9. NEXT STEPS

- 9.1 The provisional Year-End position will be reported to the Trust Board in Public on 27 March 2025
- 9.2 The Board Strategic Forum on 27 February 2025 will include a session on risk appetite and strategic risks.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Board is asked to:

- 1. Note the current position regarding BAF strategic risks
- 2. Identify any areas for further investigation or assurance

11. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Appendices to this Report

Appendix A: BAF Strategic Risks - At-A-Glance Appendix B: Strategic Risk Status Reports

Appendix C: Strategic Risk Assurance Signpost

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January 2024

APPENDIX A: STRATEGIC RISKS - AT A GLANCE SUMMARY

Bold Ambition	Stra	tegic Risk: The Trust is unable to	Committee Oversight	Q3	Q4 (Jan)	Trend	Compared to Forecast
Our Patients	1	Deliver a timely response to patients	Finance and Performance	20	20	\Leftrightarrow	Aligned
	2	Provide access to appropriate care	Quality	16	16	\Leftrightarrow	Aligned
	3	Support patient flow across the urgent and emergency care system	Finance and Performance	20	20	\Leftrightarrow	Exceeded (Forecast 16)
	4	Strengthen quality governance and medicines management to develop a culture of improvement, safety, and learning.	Quality	16	16	\iff	Aligned
	5	Develop and maintain effective emergency preparedness, resilience, and response arrangements.	Finance and Performance	16	12	•	Aligned
Our People	6	Develop and sustain an open and positive workplace culture	People	16	16	\Leftrightarrow	Aligned
	7	Support staff health and well-being effectively	People	12	12	\Leftrightarrow	Aligned
	8	Deliver and sustain improvements in recruitment and retention.	People	15	15	\Leftrightarrow	Exceeded (Forecast: 10)
	9	Develop and sustain improvements in leadership and staff training and development.	People	12	12	\Leftrightarrow	Aligned

Bold Ambition	Strat	tegic Risk: The Trust is unable to	Committee Oversight	Q3	Q4 (Jan)	Trend	Compared to Forecast
Our Partners	10	Act as a collaborative, integral, and influential system partner.	TEG / Board	15	15	\Leftrightarrow	Aligned
	11	Collaborate effectively to improve population health and reduce health inequalities.	Quality	12	12	\iff	Aligned
Our Planet and Pounds	12	Secure sufficient revenue resources and use them wisely to ensure value for money.	Finance and Performance	16	16	\Leftrightarrow	Exceeded (Forecast: 12)
	13	Secure sufficient capital resources and use them wisely to ensure value for money.	Finance and Performance	16	16	\Leftrightarrow	Aligned
	14	Deliver safe and effective digital technology developments and cyber security arrangements.	Finance and Performance	12	12	\Leftrightarrow	Aligned
	15	Act responsibly and effectively in response to climate change.	Finance and Performance	15	15	\iff	Aligned

APPENDIX B: BAF STRATEGIC RISK STATUS REPORTS

	BOARD ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK											
Bold	Bold Ambition Our Patients											
Strat	tegic Risk	1	1 Timely Response									
Lead	d Committee	Fina	ance and Perform	ance Committee								
Lead	d Director	Nicl	k Smith, Chief Op	erating Officer								
Risk	Score	202	24/25 Q3 2	2024/25	Q4 20	Trend	\Leftrightarrow					
WHA	Λ Τ	If th	ne Trust is unable	to provide patier	nts with a timely i	response.						
SO V	WHAT	It c	ould fail deliver ca	are to patients wh	nenever and whe	rever they ne	eed it.					
WHA	AT NEXT	Ke	y mitigation actior	ns to strengthen k	key controls and	/ or assuranc	e for this risk:					
Α	Control: Imp	rove	demand manage	ment – increase	Hear and Treat r	ates						
В	Control: Incr	ease	resource capaci	ty – on-shift avail	ability; fleet avail	ability						
С	Control: Incr	ease	efficiency and pr	oductivity - crew	clear times; on-s	scene times						
Prior	rity Actions				Executive Lead	Due Date	Delivery Status					
A1	Increase He	ar ar	nd Treat rates fror	n 13.6% to 17%	Nick Smith	31/03/25	Off track at M9. Within tolerances or recovery plans					
B1	Increase on-	-shift	resource availab	ility to 23%	Nick Smith	31/03/25	Off track at M9. Within tolerances or recovery plans					
B2	Deliver the f geographica		availability target o as	of 82% in all	Kathryn Vause	31/03/25	On Track					
C1	Reduce crev	w cle	ar times by 10%		Nick Smith	31/03/25	Off Track					
		Time	escale	Q2	Q3	Q4 (Jan)	Year-End					
IMPA	ACT	Fore	ecast Risk	16	20	16	16					
	Actual Risk 16 20 20											
Com	Response time standards for the year will not be achieved. Improvement work on crew clear times has been adversely affected by REAP4 and winter pressures. Improvement plans have been developed and are being implemented, based on learning from successful work at East Midlands Ambulance Service. An improved position on crew clear times is forecast for year-end.											

	BOARD ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK											
Bold	Bold Ambition Our Patients											
Stra	tegic Risk	2	Access to Appropriate Care									
Lead	d Committee	Qu	ality Committee									
Lead	d Director	Nic	k Smith, Chief Ope	erating Officer	; Julian	Mark, Exe	ecutive Medical [Director				
Risk	sk Score 2024/25 Q3 16 2024/25 Q4 16 Trend											
WHA	AT		he Trust is unable alternative care pa	•	ective tr	iage and o	care navigation to	o make best use				
SO \	WHAT		ould fail to deliver tenever and wherev			propriate r	esponse for eve	ry patient,				
WHA	AT NEXT	Ke	y mitigation action	s to strengthe	n key c	ontrols and	d / or assurance	for this risk:				
Α	Control: Dev	velop	integrated clinical	assessment	across	999 and 1	11.					
В	Control: Inci	reas	e the availability of	alternative ca	are path	ways and	improve utilisation	on of these.				
Prior	rity Actions				E	xecutive Lead	Due Date	Delivery Status				
A1			nical capacity: 34 F FTE Senior Clinic		Nie	ck Smith	31/05/25	On Track				
A2	Develop an service acro	-	grated clinical asse 99 and 111.	essment	Nie	ck Smith	2024/25 plans superseded	Off Track				
A3	Increase Ca	itego	ory 2 Segmentation	1	Nie	ck Smith	31/03/25	tbc				
B1			thways with syster w of pathways and			ck Smith ian Mark	31/12/24	Complete				
		Tim	escale	Q2		Q3	Q4 (Jan)	Year-End				
IMPA	ACT	For	ecast Risk	16		16	16	12				
		Act	ual Risk	16		16	16					
Com	Development of the integrated clinical assessment service is now following an implementation revised plan as a result of the Trust decision to prioritise the migration to NHS Pathways.											

	BOARD ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK											
Bold	Bold Ambition Our Patients											
Strat	tegic Risk	3	3 Patient Flow									
Lead	l Committee	Fin	ance and P	erforman	се							
Lead	d Director	Nic	k Smith, Ch	nief Opera	ating Officer							
Risk	Score	202	24/25 Q3	20	2024/25	Q4 20	Trend	\Leftrightarrow				
WHA	AT		he Trust is ectively	unable to	support patier	nt flow through	the health and	care system				
SO V	WHAT		ould fail to e system.	meet the	needs of an e	fficient and pro	ductive urgent	and emergency				
WHA	AT NEXT	Ke	y mitigation	actions t	to strengthen k	ey controls an	d / or assuranc	e for this risk:				
Α	Control: Pat	ient f	low to hosp	oitals - red	duce conveyar	nce to Emerger	ncy Departmen	ts				
В	Control: Pat	ient f	low at hosp	oitals - wo	ork with partner	rs to reduce ho	spital arrival to	handover times				
С	Control: Pat	ient f	low from ho	ospitals -	support timely	patient discha	rge.					
Prior	rity Actions					Owner	Due Date	Delivery Status				
A1	Increase He	ar ar	nd Treat rat	es from 1	3.6% to 17%	Nick Smith	31/03/25	Off track at M9. Within tolerances or recovery plans				
A2	Reduce con	veya	nce to Eme	ergency D	epartments	Nick Smith	31/03/25	On Track				
B1	Reduce arriv	e to	handover t	imes in a	II five CBU	Nick Smith	31/03/25	Off Track				
B2	Reduce ove below 24 mi		verage arri	ve to han	dover time to	Nick Smith	31/03/25	Off Track				
C1	Achieve PTS timely patier	•		argets to	support	Nick Smith	31/03/25	Off track at M9. Within tolerances or recovery plans				
		Tim	escale		Q2	Q3	Q4 (Jan)	Year-End				
IMPA	IMPACT Forecast Risk 16 16 16 12											
		Actu	ual Risk		16	16	20					
Com	Comments Handover delays in the South operational area and in the North and East operational area are the Trust's highest individual corporate risks, focussed on particular hospital sites. Implementation of the 'Transfer of Care' handover protocols at selected emergency departments has had a positive impact and further implementation is planned.											

	BOARD ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK											
Bold	Bold Ambition Our Patients											
Strat	egic Risk	Quality Governance and Medicines Management										
Lead	l Committee	Qu	ality Comn	nittee								
Lead	Director	Da	ve Green,	Executiv	e Direc	ctor of Qu	ality	and Chief	Para	medic		
Risk	Score	202	24/25 Q3	16		2024/25	Q4	16		Trend	\	
WHA	AT		he Trust is develop a								s management	
SO V	VHAT		could fail to ectiveness		_				impr	ovements i	n patient safety,	
WHA	AT NEXT	Ke	y mitigatio	n actions	s to stre	engthen k	еу с	ontrols and	d / or	assurance	for this risk:	
Α	Assurance:	Emb	ed the Pat	ient Safe	ety Inci	dent Resp	ons	e Framewo	ork			
В	Control: Incr	ease	e the numb	er of sta	ff traine	ed in Qua	lity Ir	mproveme	nt m	ethodology		
С	Control: Imp	leme	ent Clinical	Supervi	sion fo	r frontline	staf	f				
D	Control and	Assı	urance: Im	prove go	vernan	nce of (1)	out-c	of-date me	dicin	es; (2) cont	rolled drugs	
Prior	ity Actions						E	xecutive Lead	[Due Date	Delivery Status	
A1	Reduce pati decision-ma	ent i king	ncidents re , or EOC/II	elating to JC telepl	on-sce	ene y 5%	Da	ave Green	;	31/35/25	Off track at M9. Within tolerances or recovery plans	
B1	1750 staff to Improvemen		trained in i	ntroducti	on to C	Quality	Da	ave Green	;	31/03/25	Off Track	
C1	40% of front Supervision			d a Clinio	cal		Da	ave Green	;	31/03/25	On Track	
D2	Achieve 100 adherence)% c	ompliance	in contro	olled dr	ugs	Ju	ılian Mark	;	31/03/25	Original targets superseded.	
D3	Achieve 50% ESR for the						Ju	ılian Mark	;	31/03/25	Off track at M9. Within tolerances or recovery plans	
		Tim	escale			Q2		Q3		Q4 (Jan)	Year-End	
IMPA	IMPACT Forecast Risk 16 16 16 12											
		Act	ual Risk			16		16		16		
Com	736 staff have been trained in Quality Improvement. However, the target of 1750 staff will not be achieved. Training activities will be re-focussed to areas of greatest impact. The medicines governance workstream is now making good progress and is forecast to achieve delivery targets by year-end.											

	BOARD ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK											
Bold	Bold Ambition Our Patients											
Strat	tegic Risk	egic Risk 5 Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response										
Lead	d Committee Finance and Performance Committee											
Lead	ead Director Nick Smith, Chief Operating Officer											
Risk	Score	2024/25 Q3	16	2024/2	25 Q4	12	Trend	•				
WHA	AT			o develop and se arrangeme		ain effective	emergency pre	paredness,				
SO V	WHAT	It could fail complex inc		he best poss	ible em	ergency res	ponse to the mo	ost critical and				
WHA	AT NEXT	Key mitigati	on actions	to strengther	n key co	ontrols and	or assurance fo	or this risk:				
Α	Control: Inci	rease complia	nce with th	ne EPRR Cor	e Stand	dards						
В	Assurance:	third-party as	surance re	garding ISO	Busines	ss Continuit	y compliance					
С	Control: Impavailability	element the ne	ext phase o	of the Manche	ester Ar	ena recomr	nendations (sub	ject to resource				
Prior	rity Actions				ı	Executive Lead	Due Date	Delivery Status				
A1	Core Standa	ards: achieve	'substantia	al compliance	·	Nick Smith	31/12/24	Complete				
A2	Interoperabi	lity: achieve '	substantial	compliance'	١	Nick Smith	31/12/24	Complete				
A3	Confirm res	ource allocation	on		١	Nick Smith	30/09/24	Complete				
B1	Implement a	actions arising	from advis	sory reviews	of N	Nick Smith	As Per Report Timescales	On Track				
B2	•	Manchester A	ena Inquir	у	N	Nick Smith	_	ommitment until is identified				
		Timescale		Q2		Q3	Q4 (Jan)	Year-End				
IMPA	ACT	Forecast Risk	:	20		16	12	12				
		Actual Risk		20		16	12					
The trust has delivered notable improvements on EPRR during the last two years, and areas of individual corporate risk are forecast to reduce further during 2025/26. Funding for the Manchester Arena Inquiry recommendations remains an issue across the ambulance service sector.												

	BOARD ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK										
Bold	Bold Ambition Our People										
Strat	tegic Risk	6	Open and Positiv	ve Workplace C	ulture						
Lead	d Committee	Pe	ople Committee								
Lead	d Director	Ма	ndy Wilcock, Direct	or of People and	d Organisationa	Development					
Risk	Score	202	24/25 Q3 16	2024/25	Q4 16	Trend	\Leftrightarrow				
WHA	AT T	If t	he Trust is unable t	o develop and s	ustain an open	and positive work	place culture				
SO \	WHAT		could fail to be a div cluded, proud to wo			where everyone	feels valued,				
WHA	AT NEXT	Ke	y mitigation actions	to strengthen k	ey controls and	/ or assurance fo	r this risk:				
Α	Control: Del	iver	the planned YAS To	gether program	me priorities for	2024/25					
В	Control and	Assı	urance: Equality, Di	versity, and Inclu	usion priorities fo	or 2024/25					
С	Control: Stre	ength	nen the Trust arrang	gements regardi	ng sexual safety	of staff					
Prior	rity Actions				Executive Lead	Due Date	Delivery Status				
A1	YAS Togeth	er pr	ogramme delivery		Mandy Wilcock	31/03/25	On Track				
A2	Deliver the F 2024/25	Peop	le Promise Exempl	ar priorities for	Mandy Wilcock	31/03/25	On Track				
B1	Deliver the B	EDI a	action plan priorities	s for 2024/25	Mandy Wilcock	31/03/25	On Track				
B2			st's rating in the Equ gh developing' in 20		Mandy Wilcock	31/03/25	On Track				
C1	, ,	emb	ed the Sexual Safe	,	Mandy Wilcock	31/03/25	On Track				
	<u> </u>	Tim	escale	Q2	Q3	Q4 (Jan)	Year-End				
IMPA	IMPACT Forecast Risk 16 16 16 12										
	Actual Risk 16 16 16										
Com	NHS England has discontinued funding for the People Promise Exemplar programme. However, this area of work remains a Trust priority and internal funding has been repurposed to support the programme through to the end of 2025/26										

	BOARD ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK										
Bold	Bold Ambition Our People										
Strat	tegic Risk	7	7 Staff Health and Well-Being								
Lead	d Committee	Pe	ople Comn	nittee							
Lead	d Director	Ма	ındy Wilcoo	ck, Director of	of People and	d Orga	nisational	Development			
Risk	tisk Score 2024/25 Q3 12 2024/25 Q4 12 Trend								⇔		
WHA	AT	If t	the Trust is	unable to s	upport staff h	nealth a	ınd well-b	eing effectivel	у		
SO \	NHAT				e sustained in t high quality				g and attendance		
WHA	AT NEXT	Ke	ey mitigatio	n actions to	strengthen k	ey con	trols and	/ or assurance	e for this risk:		
Α	Control: Red	duce	sickness a	absence leve	els						
В	Assurance:	Natio	onal Staff S	Survey - imp	roved results	s for sta	aff morale				
С	Control: Viol	ence	e preventio	n and reduc	tion - embed	I the us	e of body	worn cameras	3		
Prior	rity Actions						ecutive ead	Due Date	Delivery Status		
A1	Implement an and specialist			w Occupation	al Health		andy lcock	31/03/25	Complete		
A2	Reduce Trust	-wide	e staff sickn	ess by 0.5% t	to 6.08%		andy lcock	31/03/25	Off Track		
B1	Improve the N 0.2 or achieve						andy lcock	31/03/25	Results Due in Q4		
C1	Increase the cameras by 1		oer of staff t	rained to use	bodyworn	Dave	e Green	31/03/25	On Track		
C2	Achieve comp Reduction Sta			/iolence Prev	ention and	Dave	e Green	31/12/24	Complete		
		Tim	nescale		Q2		Q3	Q4 (Jan)	Year-End		
IMPA	IMPACT Forecast Risk 12 12 12 9										
		Act	ual Risk		12		12	12			
Com	Comments Sickness levels have been higher than anticipated and the target reduction for the year will not be achieved.										

	BOARD ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK										
Bold	Bold Ambition Our People										
Stra	tegic Risk	8	Recruitment and Retention								
Lead	d Committee	Pe	ople Committee								
Lead	d Director	Nic	k Smith, Chief Ope	erating (Officer						
Risk	Score	20	24/25 Q3 15		2024/25	Q4 1	5	Trend	\Leftrightarrow		
WHA	AT		the Trust is unable t	to deliv	er and su	stain improv	/emen	ts in recruitme	ent and		
SO \	NHAT		could fail to achieve gh quality patient ca		•	•	requir	ed in all staff (groups to deliver		
WHA	AT NEXT	Ke	ey mitigation actions	s to stre	engthen k	ey controls	and / c	or assurance f	or this risk:		
Α	Control: Deli	iver	the agreed workfor	ce plan	s for A&E	Operations	, EOC	and IUC			
В	Control: Imp	leme	ent the IUC change	progra	amme mile	estones for 2	2024/2	25			
С	Control: Imp	lem	ent the EOC change	e progr	ramme mi	lestones for	2024/	/25			
Prior	rity Actions					Executive L	_ead	Due Date	Delivery Status		
A1	Deliver over	all A	&E workforce trajed	ctories		Nick Smi	th	31/03/25	On Track		
A2	Deliver EOC	; wo	rkforce trajectories			Nick Smi	th	31/03/25	Off track at M9. Within tolerances or recovery plans		
А3	Deliver IUC	worl	xforce trajectories			Nick Smi	th	31/03/25	On Track		
B1			team-based working tures all implemente	•	er, and	Nick Smi	th	31/03/25	Off track at M9. Within tolerances or recovery plans		
C1	EOC change	e pro	ogramme implemen	itation		Nick Smi	th	31/12/24	On Track		
	l	Tim	nescale		Q2	Q3		Q4 (Jan)	Year-End		
IMPA	ACT	For	ecast Risk		15	10		10	10		
		Act	ual Risk		15	15		15			
Com	Recruitment trajectories across multiple staff groups have been strong. Retention remains an issue in some areas. Some elements of the IUC change programme have experienced delays.										

			ВО	ARD ASS	URANCE	FRA	MEWOR	K		
Bold	Ambition	Ou	r People							
Strat	tegic Risk	9	Leadership	, Staff Trai	ning and I	Devel	opment			
Lead	d Committee	Ped	ople Committe	ee						
Lead	d Director	Mai	ndy Wilcock,	Director of	People and	d Orga	anisationa	ıl Dev	elopment	
Rick	Score		24/25 Q3	12	2024/25		12		Trend	
INSK	30016	202	14/20 Q0	12	2024/23	QT			Trend	
WHA	AT		he Trust is ur ining and dev		iver and su	stain	improvem	ents i	n leaders	nip and staff
SO \	WHAT		ould fail to de oups to delive						orkforce r	equired in all staff
WHA	AT NEXT	Ke	y mitigation a	actions to st	rengthen k	ey co	ntrols and	/ or a	assurance	for this risk:
Α	Control: Tra	ining, Essential Learning, and Appraisals								
В	Control: Del	ivery	of Leadershi	p Developr	ment Progra	amme	es			
С	Control: Dev	/elop	ment of the T	rust Trainir	ng Plan 202	25/26				
Prior	rity Actions						ecutive Lead	Du	e Date	Delivery Status
A1	Achieve 90%	%+ co	ompliance for	essential l	earning		landy ilcock	31	/03/25	Off track at M9. Within tolerances or recovery plans
A2	Achieve 90%	%+ co	ompletion of	staff apprais	sals		landy ilcock	31	/03/25	Off track at M9. Within tolerances or recovery plans
B1			eadership De eam leaders i		t	Nicl	k Smith	31	/12/24	On Track
B2	Deliver leadership development programmes (Aspiring Leaders, Leading Together)				mes		landy ilcock	31	/03/25	On Track
C1	C1 Develop approved Training Plan for 2025/26						landy ïlcock	31	/03/25	On Track
		Tim	escale		Q2		Q3		Q4 (Jan)	Year-End
IMPA	ACT	Fore	ecast Risk		12		12		12	9
		Actı	ual Risk		12		12		12	
Com	ments		mpliance rates nieved. The tra							

			BOARD	ASSURANC	E FR	AMEWORK		
Bold	Ambition	Ou	r Partners					
Stra	tegic Risk	10	Influential and C	ollaborative	Syste	m Partner		
Lead	d Committee	Tru	st Executive Group	o / Trust Boar	d			
Lead	d Director	Chi	ef Executive					
Risk	Score	202	24/25 Q3 15	2024/	25 Q4	15	Trend	\Leftrightarrow
WHA	AT	If t	he Trust is unable t	to act as a co	llabora	tive, integral	, and influentia	al system partner
SO \	WHAT	im	could fail to work ef provements, increa ntred urgent and er	se productivi	ty, miti			
WHAT NEXT Key mitigation actions to strengthen key controls and / or assurance for this					e for this risk:			
Α	Control: Hos	spital	handover: work w	ith system pa	rtners	to reduce ho	spital arrival to	o handover times
В	Control: Inc	rease	e the availability of	alternative ca	are pat	nways and ir	nprove utilisat	ion of these
С	Control: Em	bed	the Mental Health a	and Learning	Disabi	lities Progra	mme	
Prio	rity Actions					Executive Lead	Due Date	Delivery Status
A1	Reduce arri	ve to	handover times in	all areas	1	Nick Smith	31/03/25	Off Track
B1			thways with system w of pathways and			Nick Smith ulian Mark	31/12/24	Complete
C1			ist mental health re mental health inci		D	ave Green	31/03/25	Off track at M9. Within tolerances or recovery plans
C2			rogramme: PUSH r 10 of 10 services	model	D	ave Green	31/03/25	On Track
	•	Tim	escale	Q2		Q3	Q4 (Jan)	Year-End
IMP	ACT	Fore	ecast Risk	15		15	15	10
		Actı	ual Risk	15		15	15	
Comments		are Imp	ndover delays in the s the Trust's highest in lementation of the 'T artments has had a p	idividual corporations	rate risl e' hando	ks, focussed over protocols	on particular hos at selected em	spital sites. ergency

		ВОА	RD ASSU	IRANCE F	RAMEWOR	<	
Bold	Ambition	Our Partners					
Strat	tegic Risk	11 Collaborate	on Popula	ation Heal	th and Health	Inequalities	
Lead	d Committee	Quality Committe	e				
Lead	d Director	Julian Mark, Exec	cutive Med	ical Directo	or		
Risk	Score	2024/25 Q3	12	2024/25 (Q4 12	Trend	\Leftrightarrow
WHA	АТ	If the Trust is una reduce health ine		aborate eff	ectively to impr	ove population h	ealth and
SO \	WHAT	It could fail to sup effectively to unw			ation health by	identifying and re	esponding
WHAT NEXT Key mitigation actions to strengthen key controls and / or assurance for this risk:					or this risk:		
Α	Control: Hea	alth Inequalities Pla	ın				
В	Control: Dev	velopment of YAS F	Role in Hea	alth Inequa	lities		
С	Assurance:	Health Inequalities	Maturity A	ssessment	(AACE)		
Prior	rity Actions				Executive Lead	Due Date	Delivery Status
A1	Deliver 2024	1/25 action plan pri	orities		Julian Mark	31/03/25	On Track
B1	Define YAS	role an anchor orga	anisation		Julian Mark	31/03/25	On Track
C1		elf-assessment aga nalities maturity ma		ACE	Julian Mark	30/09/24	Complete
		Timescale		Q2	Q3	Q4 (Jan)	Year-End
IMPACT		Forecast Risk		12	12	12	9
		Actual Risk		12	12	12	
Com	nments	Self-assessment a good progress on I			ity matrix demon	strates that the Tru	ust is making

			BOARD	ASSURANCE	FRAMEWORK		
Bold Ambition Our Planet and Pounds							
Strat	tegic Risk	12	Revenue Resour	ces			
Lead	d Committee	Fin	ance and Performa	nce Committee			
Lead	d Director	Kat	:hryn Vause, Execu	tive Director of F	inance		
Risk	Score	202	24/25 Q3 16	2024/25	Q4 16	Trend	\Leftrightarrow
WHA	AT	If t	he Trust is unable t	o secure sufficie	ent revenue resou	rces and use t	hem wisely
SO V	WHAT		could fail to use reso ancially sustainable			e for money, a	nd deliver
WHAT NEXT Key mitigation actions to strength			to strengthen k	ey controls and /	or assurance f	or this risk:	
Α	A Control: Financial planning for 2024/25						
В	Control: Fina	ancia	al management duri	ng 2024/25			
С	Control and	Assı	urance: Planning ar	id achievement	of efficiency savir	ngs for 2024/25	5
Prior	ity Actions				Executive Lead	Due Date	Delivery Status
A1	Develop an a for 2024/25	pprov	ved balanced financia	ıl plan (revenue)	Kathryn Vause	30/06/25	Complete
B1	Ensure the Tr		works within its approv 25	ved financial	Kathryn Vause	31/03/25	Off track at M9. Within tolerances or recovery plans
C1	Achieve the c	vera	ll organisational effici	ency targets for	Marc Thomas	31/03/25	Off Track
C2	C2 Strengthen the oversight of efficiency and productivity schemes via the Organisational Efficiency group.				Marc Thomas	30/09/24	Complete
		Tim	escale	Q2	Q3	Q4 (Jan)	Year-End
IMPA	ACT	For	ecast Risk	12	12	12	12
		Act	ual Risk	12	16	16	
Com	ments		e Trust Board will rece uary.	ive an update on	actions to achieve	break even at is	meetings on 30

			BOARD AS	SURANCE FR	AMEWORK		
Bold	Ambition	Our Planet a	nd Pounds				
Strat	egic Risk	13 Capital I	Resources				
Lead	I Committee	Finance and	Performance	Committee			
Lead	I Director	Kathryn Vaus	e, Executive I	Director of Final	nce		
Risk	Score	2024/25 Q3	16	2024/25 Q4	16	Trend	\Rightarrow
WHA	AT	If the Trust is	unable to se	cure sufficient c	apital resource a	ınd it use it wis	ely
SO V	VHAT	It could fail to staff and pati		uately in safe, e	ffective, and well	-equipped env	ironments for
WHAT NEXT Key mitigation actions to strengthen key control					controls and / or a	assurance for t	his risk:
A Control: Capital planning for 2024/25							
В	Control: Key	capital investr	ments - Estate	es			
С	Control: Key	capital investr	ments - Fleet				
D1	Control: Key	capital investr	ments – ICT/E	Digital			
Prior	ity Actions				Executive Lead	Due Date	Delivery Status
A1	Develop and 2024/25	l deliver an ap _l	oroved capita	l plan for	Kathryn Vause	30/06/24	Complete
B1		ine and achiev			Kathryn Vause	31/12/24	Board Approval Due 30/01/25
C1		approval of af and place ord		ness cases for 26	Kathryn Vause	31/03/25	Complete
D1	•	approval of an IHS Pathways	affordable bu	siness case to	Marc Thomas	31/03/25	Complete
		Timescale		Q2	Q3	Q4	Year-End
IMPA	ACT	Forecast Risk	_	16	16	16	16
		Actual Risk		16	16	16	
Com	ments	strategic need	s (estates, flee	t, technology).	by the overall lack	•	

			В	OARD A	ASSU	IRANCE	FRA	MEWORK		
Bold	Ambition	Our	Planet a	nd Poun	ds					
Strat	tegic Risk	14	Digital To	echnolo	gy an	d Cyber S	Secu	rity		
Lead	d Committee	Fina	ance and F	Performa	nce C	Committee				
Lead	d Director	San	n Robinso	n, Chief l	Digita	l Informati	on O	fficer		
Risk	Score	202	24/25 Q3	12		2024/25	Q4	12	Trend	\Leftrightarrow
WHA	AT .	If th	ne Trust is	unable t	o deli	ver safe aı	nd ef	fective tech	nology and cyl	per security
SO \	WHAT							nology, data	a and intelliger	nce can bring to
WHA	AT NEXT	Ke	y mitigatio	n actions	to sti	rengthen k	ey c	ontrols and	or assurance	for this risk:
Α	Control and	Assu	ırance: Str	engthen	the pl	anning an	d go	vernance of	digital technol	logy work
В	Assurance:	DSP	Toolkit co	mpliance						
С	Assurance:	Boar	d and com	mittee o	versig	ht of cybe	r sec	curity / cyber	risk	
Prior	ity Actions						E	Executive Lead	Due Date	Delivery Status
A1	Develop an	enab	ling plan f	or digital	/ tech	inology	Ма	rc Thomas	31/03/25	On Track
A2	Establish a	digita	l / technol	ogy gove	rnanc	ce body	Ма	irc Thomas	31/03/25	Complete
B1	Implement a audit	ction	s from the	2023/24	I DSP	Toolkit	Ма	irc Thomas	31/03/25	Off track at M9. Within tolerances or recovery plans
C1	Strengthen of Finance and						Ма	rc Thomas	31/03/25	On Track
C2	Organise Bo security / cyl			SIRO trai	ning i	n cyber	Ма	rc Thomas	31/03/25	Complete
		Time	escale			Q2		Q3	Q4	Year-End
IMPA	IMPACT		ecast Risk			12		12	12	12
		Actu	ıal Risk			12		12	12	
Com	ments	Foll mai	lowing the I nage cyber	Board ses security i	sion o n futur	n cyber sed e. Externa	curity I assi	there is a red	next steps on c quirement to dev red during 2024, lities.	velop a plan to

			BOARD	ASSURANCE	FRAMEWORK			
Bold	Ambition	Ou	r Planet and Poun	ds				
Strat	tegic Risk	15	Action on Climat	te Change				
Lead	d Committee	Fina	ance and Performa	nce Committee				
Lead	d Director	Kat	hryn Vause, Execu	tive Director of I	inance			
Risk	Score	202	24/25 Q3 15	2024/25	Q4 15	Trend	\Leftrightarrow	
WHA	AT	lf tl	he Trust is unable t	o act responsibl	y and effectively	on climate cha	nge.	
SO \	WHAT		could fail to make su					
WHA	AT NEXT	Ke	Key mitigation actions to strengthen key controls and / or assurance for this risk:					
Α	Control: Flee	et im	provements to supp	oort environmen	ital sustainability			
В	Assurance:	Gove	ernance arrangeme	ents for environn	nental sustainabi	lity		
Prior	ity Actions				Executive Lead	Due Date	Delivery Status	
A1			nental impact via fle approval / contract :		Kathryn Vause	31/03/25	Complete	
A2	Complete th vehicles	e de	livery and rollout of	PTS electric	Kathryn Vause	31/03/25	On Track	
B1			Trust-wide governa ıstainability / net ze	•	Kathryn Vause	31/12/25	On Track	
B2			d-level assurance on		Kathryn Vause	31/12/24	Complete	
		Tim	escale	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year-End	
IMPACT		Fore	ecast Risk	15	15	15	10	
		Actu	ual Risk	15	15	15		
Com	ıments	cha	y actions relate to the ange / net zero work, rformance Committee	including the ove	rsight and assuran	ice role of the Fir	nance and	

APPENDIX C: STRATEGIC RISK ASSURANCE SIGNPOST – Agenda Items for the Board day on 30 January 2025

Strategic Risk:	The T	rust is unable to	Agenda Item (Public meeting unless stated otherwise)		
Our Patients	1	Deliver a timely response to patients	2.1 Business Plan Quarterly Report 2.2 Transfer of Care 3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report 3.2 Finance and Performance Committee Chair's Report 3.3 Operational Assurance Report		
	2	Provide access to appropriate care	2.1 Business Plan Quarterly Report 3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report 3.2 Finance and Performance Committee Chair's Report 3.3 Operational Assurance Report 3.5 Quality Committee Chair's Report 3.6 Clinical and Quality Highlight Report		
	3	Support patient flow across the urgent and emergency care system	2.1 Business Plan Quarterly Report 2.2 Transfer of Care 3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report 3.2 Finance and Performance Committee Chair's Report 3.3 Operational Assurance Report 3.5 Quality Committee Chair's Report 3.6 Clinical and Quality Highlight Report		

Strategic Risk:	The T	rust is unable to	Agenda Item (Public meeting unless stated otherwise)
Our Patients	4	Strengthen quality governance and medicines management to develop a culture of improvement, safety, and learning.	 2.1 Business Plan Quarterly Report 3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report 3.5 Quality Committee Chair's Report 3.6 Clinical and Quality Highlight Report 3.7 Quality Account Improvement Priorities 3.8 Management of Controlled Drugs Update
	5	Develop and maintain effective emergency preparedness, resilience, and response arrangements.	3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report 3.3 Operational Assurance Report

Strategic Risk	: The T	rust is unable to	Agenda Item (Public meeting unless stated otherwise)		
Our People	6	Develop and sustain an open and positive workplace culture	2.1 Business Plan Quarterly Report3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report3.9 People Committee Chair's Report3.10 People and Organisational Development Highlight Report		
	7	Support staff health and well-being effectively	 2.1 Business Plan Quarterly Report 3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report 3.9 People Committee Chair's Report 3.10 People and Organisational Development Highlight Report 		
	8	Deliver and sustain improvements in recruitment and retention.	 2.1 Business Plan Quarterly Report 3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report 3.3 Operational Assurance Report 3.9 People Committee Chair's Report 3.10 People and Organisational Development Highlight Report 		
	9	Develop and sustain improvements in leadership and staff training and development.	 2.1 Business Plan Quarterly Report 3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report 3.9 People Committee Chair's Report 3.10 People and Organisational Development Highlight Report 		

Strategic Risk: The	Trust i	s unable to	Agenda Item (Public meeting unless stated otherwise)
Our Partners	10	Act as a collaborative, integral, and influential system partner.	2.1 Business Plan Quarterly Report 2.2 Transfer of Care 3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report 3.3 Operational Assurance Report 3.6 Clinical and Quality Highlight Report
	11	Collaborate effectively to improve population health and reduce health inequalities.	2.1 Business Plan Quarterly Report 3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report 3.6 Clinical and Quality Highlight Report

Strategic Risk: Th	e Trust	is unable to	Agenda Item (Public meeting unless stated otherwise)		
Our Planet and Pounds	12	Secure sufficient revenue resources and use them wisely to ensure value for money.	2.1 Business Plan Quarterly Report 3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report 3.2 Finance and Performance Committee Chair's Report 3.4 Finance Report 3.11 Audit and Risk Committee Chair's Report Private: Actions to Achieve Break-Even Private: Hull Hub Business Case		
	13	Secure sufficient capital resources and use them wisely to ensure value for money.	2.1 Business Plan Quarterly Report 3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report 3.2 Finance and Performance Committee Chair's Report 3.4 Finance Report 3.11 Audit and Risk Committee Chair's Report Private: Actions to Achieve Break-Even Private: Hull Hub Business Case		
	14	Deliver safe and effective digital technology developments and cyber security arrangements.	2.1 Business Plan Quarterly Report 3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report 3.3 Finance and Performance Committee Chair's Report		
	15	Act responsibly and effectively in response to climate change.	2.1 Business Plan Quarterly Report 3.1 Corporate Risk and Board Assurance Framework Report 3.3 Finance and Performance Committee Chair's Report		