

Report to:	Public Board of Directors	Agenda item:	22
Date of Meeting:	6 September 2023		
Title of Report:	Alert, Advise and Assure Report from the Non-Clinical Governance Committee		
Status:	For discussion		
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Key Discussion Points and Matters to be escalated from the meeting

ALERT: Alert to matters that require the board's attention or action, e.g. non-compliance, safety or a threat to the Trust's strategy

The Committee discussed the digital strategy focusing on the governance perspective with AHA and the delivery of the EPR and core services. Key concerns to escalate to board:

- The levels of digital maturity of the three different organisations with the RUH lagging; risk of the Trust not being fit for the future if insufficient progress is not made with regard to digital advancement;
- Potential to impede the progress of other programmes due to the significant capital already input in to the EPR programme

ADVISE: Advise of areas of ongoing monitoring or development or where there is negative assurance

- The Committee received the 2022/23 Annual Sustainability Report; further assurances were sought to ensure that the Trust was performing against the goals it had set out in the 2020 strategy as not all been addressed in the report; the NCGC requested further information on how they could support with the development of the Green Plan.
- Annual security report. The committee sought further assurance that the trust are doing everything they can to support staff and colleagues who are subject to violence and aggression at work. In particular, to support those that are disproportionately impacted, from diverse backgrounds.
- Catering update. The committee sought a better understanding on why the trust score was lower as compared to other trusts for PLACE. The committee also sought further information on the connection between sustainability and the trust food and nutrition report.

ASSURE: Inform the board where positive assurance has been achieved

- The Committee received the Quarterly 2022/23 Incidents and Litigation Reports and gained positive assurance;
- The Committee received the 2022/23 Annual Health and Safety Compliance Report and were positively assured;

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee received the 2022/23 Site Security and Safety Annual Report and reasonably assured; • The Committee received the 2022/23 Annual Estates Return Collection (ERIC) Submission and were positively assured; • The Committee received the Emergency Preparedness, Resilience & Response (EPRR) Annual Report & Future Planning and were reasonably assured;
RISK: Advise the board which risks were discussed and if any new risks were identified.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee discussed the Board Assurance/ Framework (BAF) risks 9, 10 and 11. Changes to the wording of a number of risks were proposed to improve clarity and understanding. • No new risks were identified
CELEBRATING OUTSTANDING: Share any practice, innovation or action that the committee considers to be outstanding
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilities transformation: Cleaning services: Committee members were very impressed by the staffing changes within the cleaning team; this had boosted staff morale and also empowered staff to improve working practices and strengthen team working
APPROVALS: Decisions and Approvals made by the Committee
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee agreed that BAF risks relating to digital, cybersecurity and sustainability should be shared with the Audit and Risk Committee for oversight.

The Board is asked to NOTE the content of the report.