

Report to:	Public Board of Directors	Agenda item:	19
Date of Meeting:	6 November 2024		
Title of Report:	Alert, Advise and Assure Report – Charities Committee		
Status:	For information		
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Key Discussion Points and Matters to be escalated from the meeting held on 23 September 2024

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 financial pressures on the trust, especially from a capital perspective are having an impact on joint trust and charity projects such as the Green Heart. The Trust committed £500,000 to this and the delay is leading to a loss of donor confidence and potential withdrawal funds. There are delays to the AMU campaign due to the lack of capital funds.

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

The committee received the annual reports and accounts.

ASSURE: Inform the board where positive assurance has been achieved

The League of Friends has made donation of £322,228 for the financial year. The impact of these donations can be seen across the hospital. A few areas for the Trust to consider are the attrition rate of volunteers and access to wheelchairs.

RUHX received donations and legacies of £930,000 and a further £158,000 from trading and charitable activities. The total expenditure has been £4.256m mainly relating to the cancer centre, linac and building demolition. The balance carried forward at 31 July 24 is £5.408m

Non-executive directors are invited to the RUH act 2024 annual celebration taking place on the 29th of November 2024 at Wiltshire music centre.

RISK: Advise the board which risks were discussed and if any new risks were identified.

No items to report.

CELEBRATING OUTSTANDING: Share any practice, innovation or action that the committee considers to be outstanding

The committee congratulated the charity for their outstanding planning and execution of the Royal visit to the Dyson cancer centre which took place on the 3 September.

APPROVALS: Decisions and Approvals made by the Committee

No items to report.

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