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| <b>TRUST BOARD IN PUBLIC</b>   | <b>Date: 30<sup>th</sup> January 2014</b>  |   |
|  | <b>Agenda Item: 1.4</b>  |   |
| <b>REPORT TITLE:</b>   | CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT   |   |
| <b>EXECUTIVE SPONSOR:</b>  | Michael Wilson<br>Chief Executive  |   |
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| <b>REPORT DISCUSSED PREVIOUSLY:</b><br>(name of sub-committee/group & date)  | N/A  |   |
| <b>Purpose of the Report and Action Required:</b> (√)  |  |   |
| This report provides members with key updates and highlights from a national and local perspective to inform the Board's understanding of policy or new strategic developments.  | <b>Approval</b>  |   |
|  | <b>Discussion</b>  | ½ |
|  | <b>Information</b>   | ½ |
| <b>Summary of Key Issues</b>   |  |   |
| <b>National Issues:</b>  |  |   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Securing Sustainability 2014/15 . 2018/19 Trust Development Authority Planning Guidance</li> </ul>  |  |   |
| <b>Local Issues:</b>   |  |   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OBE Awarded to Professor Abhay Rane</li> <li>• CQC's Director of Strategy and Intelligence Visit</li> <li>• Department of Health use picture of SaSH Birthing Unit</li> </ul> |  |   |
| <b>Relationship to Trust Corporate Objectives &amp; Assurance Framework:</b>   |  |   |
| Objective 4 . Become a sustainable, effective organisation.  |  |   |
| <b>Corporate Impact Assessment:</b>  |  |   |
| <b>Legal and regulatory implications</b>   | Ensures the Board are aware of current and new requirements.                                     |   |
| <b>Financial implications</b>  |  |   |
| <b>Patient Experience/Engagement</b>   | Highlights national requirements in place to improve patient experience.                         |   |
| <b>Risk &amp; Performance Management</b>   | Identifies possible future strategic risks which the Board should consider                       |   |
| <b>NHS Constitution/Equality &amp; Diversity/Communication</b>   | Includes where relevant an update on the NHS Constitution and complies with Equality Legislation |   |
| <b>Attachments: N/A</b>  |  |   |

**TRUST BOARD REPORT – 30<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2014  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT**

**1. National Issues**

**1.1 Securing Sustainability 2014/15 – 2018/19 Trust Development Authority Planning Guidance**

On 23<sup>rd</sup> December the Trust Development Authority published Securing Sustainability . Planning Guidance for NHS Trust Boards 2014/15 . 2018/19 which sets out what NHS Boards should focus on to be able to continue to deliver high quality whilst taking the necessary action to ensure they will continue to do so in the future.

The planning guidance aims to support NHS Trusts to deliver one integrated quality, delivery and workforce plan which will help drive absolute clarity on what is expected to be delivered as well as helping NHS Trust Boards to look in a more structured way at what is affordable as well as what development needs they will have throughout the next year.

To ensure the best environment is created for NHS Trusts to succeed, the TDA we will be focused on three things:

- **Clarity of expectations** . both on what is required to be delivered and helping NHS Trust Boards understand whether they have the right evidence to assure themselves against that delivery;
- **Alignment with the broader system** . the changes in the quality landscape means it is more important than ever to ensure that quality is aligned with both commissioners and the Care Quality Commission, both in terms of the indicators collected
- **Focus on support to deliver** . The TDA want to know, in much more detail than before, about those areas NHS Trust Boards need to improve on, so that they can work with them and other providers in the system to facilitate development opportunities and drive best practice throughout the sector.

The foundations for high standards of health care are set out in the rights and pledges in the NHS Constitution, the expectations and priorities in the Mandate from the Government to NHS England and the measures in the NHS Outcomes Framework.

The NHS TDA will want to continue to be assured that every NHS Trust Board has a plan to meet these expectations, much of which will be articulated through the quality standards in their contracts with commissioners.

The detailed timetable for plan submissions throughout the planning process is set out in the NHS TDA Technical Guidance for strategic and operational plans. The key submission dates are as follows:

| <b>TDA Planning Milestones</b>  | <b>SaSH Compliance</b>     |
|---|----------------------------|
| 13 January 2014: First draft submission of Operating Plan by NHS Trusts                         | Submitted                  |
| 5 March 2014: Full two-year plan collection from NHS Trusts                                     | Plan in development stage  |
| 4 April 2014: Final two year plan collection from NHS Trusts                                    | Plan in development stage  |
| 20 June 2014: Providers submit five year Board-signed off and commissioner-aligned IBP and LTFM | IBP & LTFM being developed |

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| 30 September 2014: Development support plans submitted by NHS Trusts | Plan to be developed |
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The full planning guidance is available at:

[http://www.ntda.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/12/tda\\_planning\\_2013\\_final-4.pdf](http://www.ntda.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/12/tda_planning_2013_final-4.pdf)

## **2. Local Issues**

### **2.1 OBE Awarded to Professor Abhay Rane**

In the new years honours list our urology consultant Professor Abhay Rane become an OBE in recognition for his pioneering work here at East Surrey Hospital in developing laparoscopic (keyhole) surgery. Abhay performed keyhole surgery through the belly button for the very first time in Europe here in 2007. The trust has a history of supporting innovation, and since Abhay developed his technique he has been encouraged by our management team to help mentor and train other surgeons across the country. On behalf of the Trust Board we congratulate Abhay who is respected among his peers both in the UK and across the world, and this very well deserved recognition will further strengthen his and our trust's reputation.

### **2.2 CQC's Director of Strategy and Intelligence Visit**

On 9<sup>th</sup> January Paul Bate, Director of Strategy and Intelligence at the Care Quality Commission came to talk to the Trust about how their organisation has changed and how their inspections are now conducted. It was pleasing to see so many staff in attendance and the feedback was very positive.

### **2.3 Department of Health use picture of SaSH Birthing Unit**

The Department of Health are using a picture of our new Birthing Unit on twitter as an example of what can be achieved with the funding they are offering trusts. This is testament to the exemplary facility the maternity team has developed. We are hoping we will be successful in our application for additional funding this year to further invest in our maternity unit as more and more women are choosing to have their babies with us.

## **3. Recommendation**

The Board is asked to note the report and consider any impacts on the trusts strategic direction.

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**Chief Executive**  
**January 2014**