

TRUST BOARD IN PUBLIC		Date: 25 July 2013	
		Agenda Item: 4.1	
REPORT TITLE:		FOUNDATION TRUST PROGRESS UPDATE	
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REPORT DISCUSSED PREVIOUSLY: (name of sub-committee/group & date)		FT Project Board 11.7.13	
Purpose of the Report and Action Required:			(√)
This report provides the Board with an update on the Trusts current progress towards Foundation Trust Status. The Board is asked to note the report.		Approval	
		Discussion	
		Information	√
Summary of Key Issues			
This report provides a progress report to the Board on our current journey towards Foundation Trust (FT) status.			
Relationship to Trust Corporate Objectives & Assurance Framework:			
Objective 4 – Become a sustainable, effective organisation.			
Corporate Impact Assessment:			
Legal and regulatory implications	N/A		
Financial implications	Development of a financial plan will be required to support the FT application.		
Patient Experience/Engagement	Improving patient experience and engagement is at the heart of our FT application.		
Risk & Performance Management	Is an essential part of the FT application process.		
NHS Constitution/Equality & Diversity/Communication	The FT application process will give the Trust a greater opportunity to show how it meets the requirements of the NHS Constitution and Equality legislation.		
Attachments:			
N/A			

TRUST BOARD REPORT – 25th JULY 2013 FOUNDATION TRUST UPDATE

1. Introduction

This report provides a progress report to the Board on our current journey towards Foundation Trust (FT) status and the next steps due to take place over the coming weeks.

2. FT Project Board

The third meeting of the FT Project Board was held on 11th July. The meeting received an update on the Integrated Business Plan (IBP) and consideration of the SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and Threats) and PESTLE (political, economic, social, technological, legal and environmental factors) analysis.

Also presented was an overview of the population analysis that forms part of the Trust marketing strategy linking to the Market Assessment which is section 4 of the IBP. The focus was specifically around the ageing population in SaSH catchment area. Discussion also included clarity in the project boards understanding of CCG and LA plans for either conducting future health needs analysis or similar which will consider the health needs of the ageing population over the next 15 years as based on the 2011 ONS data.

The Project board also reviewed draft proposals for the Council of Governor's Code of Conduct which will eventually form part of the foundation trust's Constitution. Also reviewed were the Department of Health's model election rules for election to the Governor's council. It was acknowledged that in due course SaSH would be looking to outsource the election process to an expert organisation who would undertake this work on behalf of the Trust.

A progress report on the next phase of work required to update the Long Term Financial Model was given. Both the LTFM and the draft IBP are due to be submitted to the Trust Development Authority during August, prior to plans in place for the Executive to Executive meeting during September; at which time it is envisaged that the TDA will agree the SaSH applications and approvals milestones.

Acknowledgements and vote of thanks were expressed to Wendy Mahoney, Head of IBP and Business Development who would be shortly leaving the Trust. The project board noted the appointment of an interim FT programme manager who was due to start at the end of July and would take on the development of the IBP and support the FT process.

The FT Project Board will continue to meet on a six weekly basis.

3. Recommendation

The Board is asked to note our progress towards Foundation Trust status. Future reports will be brought to the Board on a regular basis.

Michael Wilson
Chief Executive
July 2013