

TRUST BOARD IN PUBLIC	Date: 28 November 2013 Agenda Item:																	
REPORT TITLE:	Deloitte Quality Governance Assurance Framework and SASH Quality Governance Action Plan																	
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REPORT DISCUSSED PREVIOUSLY: (name of sub-committee/group & date)																		
Purpose of the Report and Action Required: (√)																		
The Board is asked to approve the Deloitte Quality Governance Framework and Surrey and Sussex Quality Governance Action Plan to be sent to Deloitte as part of our self-assessment against Monitor's QGAF framework.	Approval																	
	Discussion	√																
	Information																	
Summary of Key Issues																		
<p>The Quality Governance Framework (re-published July 2011) is an assessment tool for Boards to review their governance arrangement to ensure essential levels of quality and safety are met and to drive forward continuous improvement.</p> <p>To be authorised as Foundation Trust the total score needs to be less than 4 with none of the categories being entirely amber- red. The overall score of the initial assessment is 6.5</p>																		
Relationship to Trust Corporate Objectives & Assurance Framework:																		
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The Deloitte QGAF and SASH action plan (see attached) support the assessment required for application for Foundation Trust.																		
Corporate Impact Assessment:																		
Legal and regulatory implications	Requirement for the Foundation Trust application process																	
Financial implications	None																	
Patient Experience/Engagement	Actions undertaken will improve patient experience																	

Risk & Performance Management	Actions undertaken will improve on risk management and performance management.
NHS Constitution/Equality & Diversity/Communication	Quality Strategy to be communicated to all- impacting on our patients, carers and staff.
Attachments:	
Deloitte Quality Governance Framework V2 Surrey and Sussex Hospital Quality Governance Action Plan	

Recommendation

The Board is asked to approve the Deloitte Quality Governance Framework and SASH Action plan.

Des Holden
Medical Director