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Report from the Partnerships Committee

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Purpose of the paper	Update from Chairman on discussions at Partnerships Committee		
Key control	Strategic Objective - To collaborate effectively with local and regional partners		
Action required	To note		
Previously discussed at/informed by	Partnerships Committee 26 July		
Previously approved at:	Committee/Group N/A	Date	

Key matters discussed

The following key matters were discussed at the meeting held on 26th July 2018.

Vertical integration:

- The committee discussed the progress being made locally by the Bradford Health and Care Partnership (BHCP) to develop a Partnership Operating Framework (POF). This will articulate new partnership functions and mutual governance arrangements for the organisations within the BHCP. Following on from this document, it is proposed by BHCP that a legally binding Partnering Agreement will be agreed between the members of the BHCP. This is intended to be signed off by 29 March 2019.
- The committee acknowledged that work needs to be done to ensure the POF and Partnering Agreement are not duplicative with the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership's (WYHCP) MoU.

Airedale Collaboration:

- The committee discussed the positive progress in this area. Highlights include a meeting to discuss developing clinical models across Airedale and Bradford scheduled in August between BTHFT and AFT CEOs/Chairs, local NHSE/I reps and the CCG CEO and that the independent review of current service interdependencies between the two Trusts was underway.

Horizontal Integration update:

- The committee noted the decision to designate BTHFT as an arterial centre is expected to be ratified by NHS England, with a final decision expected in November. It also noted the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership (WYHHCP) have also prioritised the hybrid theatre required at BTHFT in its bid for capital funding.
- The WYHCP's clinical strategy development was discussed. This is in its early stages and the committee noted that ideally existing place based arrangements would have to be incorporated in the final document as well strong steer provided on acute strategic decisions.

Regarding assurance the committee noted that:

- The committee agreed for its relevant strategic objective - to collaborate effectively with local and regional partners - the risk appetite of "seek" was correct.
- The committee approved the risk ratings, actions and assurances described in the Board Assurance Framework for the relevant strategic objective.

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The following items were anticipated to be escalated to this board meeting:

- The WYHCP MoU has been escalated to the board for sign off at the September board meeting.
- It was intended that the Partnership Operating Framework would be escalated for discussion the board in September (NB due to a change in external timescales it is expected to come to the November Board meeting.)

Recommendation

The Board of Directors is requested to note the work of the Partnership Committee in scrutinising the Foundation Trust's partnership arrangements and providing assurance on its relevant strategic objective

Risk assessment						
Strategic Objective	Appetite (G)					
	Avoid	Minimal	Cautious	Open	Seek	Mature
To provide outstanding care for patients		g				
To deliver our financial plan and key performance targets			g			
To be in the top 20% of NHS employers			g			
To be a continually learning organisation				g		
To collaborate effectively with local and regional partners					g	
The level of risk against each objective should be indicated. Where more than one option is available the level of risk of each option against each element should be indicated by numbering each option and showing numbers in the boxes.	Low		Moderate	High	Significant	
	Risk (*)					
Explanation of variance from Board of Directors Agreed General risk appetite (G)						

Risk Implications (see section 4 for details)	Yes	No
Corporate Risk register and/or Board Assurance Framework Amendments		X
Quality implications		X
Resource implications		X
Legal/regulatory implications		X
Diversity and Inclusion implications		X

Regulation, Legislation and Compliance relevance
NHS Improvement: Code of governance
Care Quality Commission Domain: Well led
Care Quality Commission Fundamental Standard:
Other (please state):

Relevance to other Board of Director's Committee:					
Workforce	Quality	Finance & Performance	Partnerships	Major Projects	Other (please state)
			X		