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Report from the Partnerships Committee

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Purpose of the paper	Update from the Chairman on the discussions held at the 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 held on 25 January 2019		
Previously approved at:	Committee/Group N/A	Date	

Key matters discussed

The following key matters were discussed at the meeting held on 25 January 2019.

Horizontal integration - the committee noted the Trust is working with WYAAT to ensure that the award of BTHFT as an arterial centre gains NHSE approval, as a part of this process, approval will be needed from the West Yorkshire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee. It was noted that WYAAT/BTHFT was not successful in securing national capital funding for the hybrid theatre required for the arterial centre, and the committee requested the trust should take actions to ensure capital funding for this is still prioritised within the STP for any future funding rounds.

Airedale collaboration - the committee noted the programme governance for the collaboration with Airedale has been agreed. Following discussions between BTHFT, AFT and the CCGs, it has been agreed that the funding for the programme management office and executive lead will be split equally between the three parties regarding in planning submissions. The committee was informed that a joint clinical summit is planned to launch the programme with clinicians will take place in April.

Vertical Integration – the committee noted the Trust is actively involved in the drafting of a Strategic Partnering Agreement, which will set out how collaboration and decision making will work in Bradford District and Craven. It is planned that this document will be signed and agreed by the partners by the end of March, and as such it will go to the March BTHFT board for approval. The committee did not note any significant risks in approving the document, and also noted that not approving potentially carries risk regarding our relationships with local partners.

Links between the Trust and Bradford's economy – the committee considered an item outlining the contribution the Trust makes to the local Bradford economy. The contribution and links includes the Trust's role as a large local employer, its involvement in innovation and research and the concept of NHS Trust's as "anchor institutions" which add social value to local communities. It was agreed this topic should be added to a future board development session.

Recommendation

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

Risk assessment	
Strategic Objective	Appetite (G)

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	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)	No variation					

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: <i>Well led</i>
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		