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Communications update

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Purpose of the paper	To present the Board of Directors with an update on communications activity during the last 12 months.		
Key control			
Action required	To note		
Previously discussed at/ informed by			
Previously approved at:	Academy/Group	Date	

Key Options, Issues and Risks

The enclosed slide deck provides an update on communications activity for the last 12 months, and an indication of some upcoming projects which will require communications input and support over the next period.

Analysis

Highlights

In the last 12 months the communications team have:

- Dealt with 225 media enquiries
- Issued 166 press releases
- Researched/sourced 282 stories/headlines for Mel's WRU
- Written 48 video scripts
- Produced 27 issues of Let's Talk
- Commissioned 20 screensavers
- Processed 776 FOI requests
- 1.6 million page views on the website
- 1.4 million page views on the intranet

Website and intranet usage has increased again over the last 12 months. The top 10 online pages show interesting trends. Thrive is a new addition to the top 10 intranet pages, now ranking as the third most popular site behind policies/guidelines and HR. The numbers of staff accessing the intranet on mobile devices has continued to increase throughout the year, the bulk of the traffic remains on desktop devices.

Viewers of the top 10 website pages can be split into three audiences:

- staff looking for quick links to online systems (eg: webmail, Employee Online);
- patients looking for maps / opening times and maternity information;
- potential new employees looking at the Our People / Join Our Team information pages.

The Comms team has made two new appointments strengthening the skillset and diversity of the team.

Recommendation

The Board of Directors is asked to note the work undertaken by the communications team over the last 12 months.

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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.	<div>Low</div> <div>Moderate</div> <div>High</div> <div>Significant</div>					
Explanation of variance from Board of Directors Agreed General risk appetite (G)	Risk (*)					

Benchmarking implications (see section 4 for details)	Yes	No	N/A
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Risk Implications (see section 5 for details)	Yes	No
Corporate Risk register and/or Board Assurance Framework Amendments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality implications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resource implications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Legal/regulatory implications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Diversity and Inclusion implications	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Performance Implications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Regulation, Legislation and Compliance relevance
NHS Improvement: (please select those that are relevant) <input type="checkbox"/> Risk Assessment Framework <input type="checkbox"/> Quality Governance Framework <input type="checkbox"/> Code of Governance <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Reporting Manual
Care Quality Commission Domain:
Care Quality Commission Fundamental Standard:
Other (please state):

Relevance to other Board of Director's Academy: (please select all that apply)			
People	Quality	Finance & Performance	Other (please state)
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