REPORT TO:	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
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SUBJECT:	FINANCE AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE (FPC) CHAIR REPORT
BOARD SPONSOR:	FINANCE AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE
PAPER AUTHOR:	CHAIR OF THE FINANCE AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE
PURPOSE:	DECISION
APPENDICES:	APPENDIX 1: USE OF RESOURCES ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK APPENDIX 2: NHS IMPROVEMENT (NHSI) SINGLE OVERSIGHT FRAMEWORK CONSULTATION

BACKGROUND AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of the Committee is to maintain a detailed overview of the Trust's assets and resources in relation to the achievement of financial targets and business objectives and the financial stability of the Trust. This will include:-

- Overseeing the development and maintenance of the Trust's Financial Recovery Plan (FRP), delivery of any financial undertakings to NHS Improvement (NHSI) in place, and medium and long term financial strategy.
- Reviewing and monitoring financial plans and their link to operational performance overseeing financial risk evaluation, measurement and management.
- Scrutiny and approval of business cases and oversight of the capital programme.
- Maintaining oversight of the finance function, key financial policies and other financial issues that may arise.

The Committee also has a role in monitoring the performance and activity of the Trust.

5 SEPTEMBER 2017 MEETING

The committee reviewed the following matters

Clinical Support Services Division (CSSD) Presentation

- The FPC noted the size and complexity of the division through its budget, headcount and services. In 2016/17 its total budget was £103m split across radiology, pathology, therapies, outpatients, pharmacy and infection control. The division comprised of 1,468 Whole Time Equivalent (WTE) staff.
- CSSD is meeting its income targets; with favourable positions in radiology but adverse in physiotherapy.
- The division delivered favourable positions in both permanent staff pay budget and non-pay budget. Some vacant posts are being held pending review of services.

- Compared to FY16/17, it delivered a net improvement in run-rate of £63.5k year-to-date.
- On Cost Improvement Programmes (CIPs), it was £37K short of delivering its M4 target. Additional contingency schemes are being worked up to plug any shortfalls. It is worth mentioning though that CSSD has over-performed on its CIPs up to M3 by £361K. It is forecast to deliver a total net amount of £3.3m in FY18.
- Risks are around income and operational capacity, especially radiology reporting capacity. A watchful eye also needs to be kept on agency spend. Several initiatives are being implemented to mitigate these risks.
- On the whole, CSSD is performing well and therefore has the capability to deliver even better results through positive challenge. An increase in bottom-line contribution from current 18% to 19% is not out of reach in the coming months if the right levers are pulled.

M4 Finance

- The main highlights from the report are:
 - M4 deficit improved from £1.4m since the original Board of Directors report to £1.2m, due to a positive movement of £0.2m from Spencer wing.
 - Non-recurrent portion of CIPs has improved from 25% to 20%.
 Reported CIPs in month was £2.3m against a plan of £2.3m.
 - Agency spend (including Stafflow and locums) for July was £2.1m, an increase of £0.2m on the previous month's figure.
 - Activity: outpatients was 10% below plan, elective inpatient care 5.1% below plan, non-elective admissions 13% below plan and A&E attendances 2.6% below plan.
 - Cash balance at the month end was £9.7m against a plan of £8.6m
 - Capital expenditure for the month was less than 1% under the NHS Improvement (NHSI) plan, which is within the 10% NHSI tolerance levels.

M4 Performance and Activity

- o The main highlights from the report are:
 - Emergency Department (ED) performance against the 4-hour target for June was 70.7% against the NHSI trajectory of 83%.
 There are several issues contributing to this and a key element is recruitment of staff.
 - There will be a focussed session at the Board Development Day on 8 September to discuss the issues around ED.
 - In July A&E activity was at expected levels and sites continue to see an uplift in the proportion of majors attending, as seen over the previous year. There was one 12-hour trolley waits report in month.
 - Orthopaedics remains a major risk in terms of ability to meet business plan. Specific issues are around productivity. Work is on-going to bring its performance in line with the Getting It Right First Time (GIRFT) benchmark.
 - o Primary Care referrals were 4% below plan in July.
 - The Trust was 5% below the New Outpatient plan in July. This eradicated the YTD over-performance. The Trust underperformed the follow up plan by 9% but remains at planned levels for the quarter.

- In July the Trust under achieved the Daycase plan by 4% and the Elective plan by -11%.
- July performance against the 18 weeks Referral to Treatment (RTT) standard decreased to 83.61%.
- Waiting list size has reached its highest point to date.
 Sustainable long-term plans to resolve capacity constraints and delivery RTT 2017/18 trajectory are planned to start and come in to effect from quarter two/three.
- The number of patients waiting over 52 weeks for first treatment remained static at 30, and is 2 above the trajectory submitted to NHSI.
- Performance against the cancer 62 day GP RTT standard was 69.19% against the improvement trajectory of 80.90%.
- The Trust met the 6-week referral to diagnostic standard for July with a compliance of 99.2%.
- On the whole, unrelenting effort coupled with innovative clinical approaches would need to be brought to bear to drive sustainable improvement of access targets especially ED and RTT.

Service Line Reporting (SLR)

 Deep-dive analysis is on-going into the top 6 services that are currently not making a contribution. These are Neurology, Gastro/Endoscopy, Trauma & Orthopaedic, Vascular, ENT, and Obstetrics & Community Paediatrics. FPC will receive a high-level summary report on this work in October. The report will highlight underlying issues and propose corrective actions.

Contract Negotiations with Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs)

 Discussions with CCGs and system partners around income challenges and financial implications of service redesign are being progressed.

Financial Special Measures (FSM) and Financial Recovery Plan (FRP)

- \circ The four big schemes that are to be delivered in Q2 are patient flow II programme £2m, theatre capacity £1.2m, SLR improvements £1.5m, and pre-assessment productivity of £1m.
- The key issues that require focused attention are around income delivery. Forward outlook and rigorous production planning would be critical to success.
- There are efforts to come up with additional opportunities for CIPs for 2017/18.
- On FY19 CIP identification, none of the schemes are currently green.
 There is therefore a risk that the Trust may not meet NHSI target of
 achieving 50% green by end of September. FPC received assurance
 that effort will be made to get as close as possible to the target by end
 of September.
- There are on-going efforts to convert non-recurrent CIP opportunities to recurrent.
- The Trust has appointed a Head of Transformation who starts in November. This will be a good addition to the team to take forward the transformation programme as part of FRP.

Workforce

Significant progress has been made to how workforce establishment

data is analysed, forecasted and displayed. In response to NHSI request, a Qlikview dashboarding system has now been set-up that displays planned and actual whole-time equivalent (WTE) staff for the year. Whilst this new system may require iterative improvement, it is a good step towards more robust workforce planning.

Use of Resources Assessment (UoR) Framework

- FPC discussed the UoR framework newly issued by NHSI. The Trust will need to conduct self-assessment and ensure it is able to answer questions aligned to all Key Lines of Enquiry (KLOE).
- FPC recommended that self-assessment be undertaken once the Trust knows NHSI's timetable for assessing Trusts.
- The report presented to FPC is attached for the Board to note.

NHS Improvement Single Oversight Framework Consultation

- NHSI have made some changes to the Single Oversight Framework.
 These changes, which were discussed at FPC, are highlighted in the appended report.
- The report is attached for Board to discuss and agree consultation response.

Uncommitted Single Currency Interim Revenue Support Facility Agreement (ISUCL)

- FPC discussed and supported the new ISUCL in addition to the individual Board approval that is required.
- Each tranche of loan is separately approved by the Department of Health (DH).
- FPC and the Board of Directors will have sight of specific amounts being drawn down on a monthly basis through the finance report.

RECOMMENDATIONS AND ACTION REQUIRED:

- i) Discuss the report.
- ii) Discuss and note the UoR Framework.
- iii) Discuss and agree the NHSI Single Oversight Framework Consultation response.