

## Trust Board

**13 May 2021**

<b>Paper title:</b>	Audit Committee Annual Report 2020/21	<b>Agenda item</b>  <b>22.1</b>
<b>Presented by:</b>	Andrew Chang, Chair of the Audit Committee Non-Executive Director	
<b>Prepared by:</b>	Claire Risdon, Deputy Director of Finance	

Purpose of the report		
Presentation of the Annual Report for the Audit Committee for 2020/21.	For approval	<b>X</b>
	For discussion	
	For information	

Executive summary		
<p>The Terms of Reference for the Audit Committee require it to make an annual report to the Board setting out how it has carried out its duties during the financial year. The report is presented to the Committee for review and approval, upon which it will then be presented to the Board of Directors meeting held in public on 13 May 2021.</p> <p>The aim of the report is to provide the Board with an outline of the governance processes the Committee has in place; the work it has undertaken during 2020/21; and any key issues it has found necessary to highlight to the Board. Its detail has been drawn from the Terms of Reference, the Committee's work plan, escalation and assurance reports to the Board, and the minutes of all meetings within the timeframe.</p>		
Do the recommendations in this paper have any impact upon the requirements of the protected groups identified by the Equality Act?	<p><b>State below 'Yes' or 'No'</b></p> <p><b>No</b></p>	If yes please set out what action has been taken to address this in your paper

Recommendation
The Committee is asked to note the content of the report and to be assured that it has worked within its Terms of Reference and has escalated appropriately any key issues to the Board through the escalation and assurance reports made by the Chair of the Committee.

Strategic vision				
Providing excellent quality services and seamless access	Creating the best place to work	Supporting people to live to their fullest potential	Financial sustainability growth and innovation	Governance and well-led
				<b>X</b>

Care Quality Commission domains				
Safe	Effective	Responsive	Caring	Well Led
				X

<b>Relationship to the Board Assurance Framework (BAF)</b>	<p>The work contained with this report links to the following strategic risk(s) as identified in the BAF:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All as required.</li> </ul>
<b>Links to the Corporate Risk Register (CRR)</b>	<p>The work contained with this report links to the following corporate risk(s) as identified in the CRR:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All as required.</li> </ul>
<b>Compliance and regulatory implications</b>	<p>The following compliance and regulatory implications have been identified as a result of the work outlined in this report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A.</li> </ul>