

TRUST BOARD PUBLIC – MAY 2016

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<b>Subject:</b>	Report from the Chief Executive
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<b>Purpose of paper</b>	To update the Board on national and local items of interest.
<b>Key points for Trust Board members</b>	Note contents of the report
<b>Options and decisions required</b>	None required, for information
<b>Next steps / future actions:</b>	None
<b>Consideration of legal issues (including Equality Impact Assessment)?</b>	None
<b>Consideration of Public and Patient Involvement and Communications Implications?</b>	None

<b>Links to Portsmouth Hospitals NHS Trust Board Strategic Aims, Assurance Framework/Corporate Risk Register</b>	
<b>Strategic Aim</b>	<p><b>Strategic aim 1:</b> Deliver safe, high quality patient centred care</p> <p><b>Strategic aim 2:</b> Develop a reputation for excellence in innovation, research &amp; development and education in the top 20% of our peers.</p> <p><b>Strategic aim 3:</b> Become the hospital of choice for general, specialist and selected tertiary services.</p> <p><b>Strategic aim 4:</b> Staff would recommend the trust as a place to work and a place to receive treatment</p> <p><b>Strategic aim 5:</b> Develop sufficient financial strengths to adapt to change and invest in the future.</p>
<b>BAF/Corporate Risk Register Reference (if applicable)</b>	N/A
<b>Risk Description</b>	N/A
<b>CQC Reference</b>	N/A

<b>Committees/Meetings at which paper has been approved:</b>	<b>Date</b>
None	

## Report of Chief Executive

### Board of Directors – 5 May 2016

#### 1. NHS Digital

From July 2016 the Health and Social Care Information Centre (HSCIC) will change its name to NHS Digital, building on the role it plays in directly supporting the NHS and social care services. Noel Gordon has been appointed as the new Chair for NHS Digital by the Secretary of State. NHS Digital is the national provider of information, data and IT systems for commissioners, analysts and clinicians in health and social care. Its work includes:

- Publishing more than 260 statistical publications per year
- Providing a range of specialist data services
- Managing informatics projects and programmes, and developing and assuring national systems against appropriate contractual, clinical safety and information standards

#### 2. NHS Outcomes Framework 2016/17.

The NHS Outcomes Framework will remain unchanged for 2016 to 2017. The Department of Health will work to develop indicators that are not yet live and keep the existing indicators under review.

#### 3. £2million Investment in Improved Maternity Care

More than 90 NHS Trusts will receive money to buy new equipment, including ultrasound machines and mother and baby monitoring equipment, so any problems can be detected and addressed earlier. This is part of the Government's campaign to halve the number of stillbirths, neonatal deaths, maternal deaths and brain injuries occurring during, or soon after birth, by 2030. Portsmouth Hospitals NHS Trust received £27,000 from the fund.

#### 4. Review of IT in the NHS

IT expert Professor Bob Wachter has launched a review of computer systems across the NHS. The review 'Making IT work: Harnessing the Power of Health IT to Improve Care in England' will look at places where IT has worked well and those areas that need improving. It will also look at different ways to implement IT in healthcare as the NHS works towards being paperless by 2020.

#### 5. The Carter Review

The Carter Review says hospitals must standardise procedures, be more transparent and work more closely with neighbouring NHS Trusts. Implementing the recommendations will help end variations in quality of care and finances that cost the NHS billions Lord Carter advised Health Secretary Jeremy Hunt in his final report. His review found unwarranted variation in running costs, sickness absence, infection rates and prices paid for supplies and services.

As part of the review a 'model hospital' has been developed, which will advise NHS Trusts on the most efficient allocation of resources and allows hospitals to measure performance against other Trusts. Following the 'model hospital' examples could save hospitals £5billion a year by 2020 to 2021 and put an end to the variations the review uncovered across the NHS, including:

- Average running costs for a hospital (£ per square metre) vary from £105 at one trust to as high as £970 for another
- Infection rates for hip and knee replacements vary from 0.5 to 4%
- Prices paid by different hospitals for hip replacements range from £788 to £1,590
- The use of floor space - one trust uses 12% for non-clinical purposes and another uses as much as 69%
- Sickness absence rates differ from 3.1% to 5%

As well as reviewing hospitals across England Lord Carter's review looked at healthcare systems abroad including in the US, Germany, Australia, Italy and France where hospitals have a greater focus on efficiency because they have established the clear link it has with patient care.

## **6. NHS Apprenticeships**

The NHS will create 100,000 apprenticeships, almost 7 times the current number, across the country by 2020, offering opportunities to thousands of young people who want a career in the health sector. This commitment follows the launch of the Government consultation to make 2.3% of workers in large public sector bodies apprentices. The roles will be created in a range of areas within the NHS, including:

- Nursing and healthcare assistants
- IT, estates and facilities
- Domestic and housekeeping services
- Business administration and accounting

Ministers expect to boost the NHS apprenticeships programme with an estimated 17,000 new roles in 2015 to 2016.

## **7. National Whistleblowing policy**

Alongside NHS England, NHS Improvement published a national whistleblowing policy for all NHS organisations to adopt as a minimum standard to help to normalise the raising of concerns for the benefit of all patients.

## **8. Local News**

- The Research and Innovation Conference, hosted by Portsmouth Hospitals NHS Trust, takes place on 15 June 2016 with a variety of guest speakers – the working title this year is 'Innovation – Implementation, Dissemination and Transformation'.
- A copy of Team Brief is attached for your information.