

Public Board of Directors meeting

Subject:	Fire Safety Annual Report 2016-17	Date: 26 th October 2017		
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Approved By:	Peter Wozencroft - Director of Strategic Planning & Commercial Development			
Presented By:	Ben Widdowson – Head of Estates & Facilities (Fire Safety Manager)			
Purpose				
The paper is presented to provide assurance to the Board that all reasonable measures, audits, assessments and actions have been taken to ensure the fire safety of Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust buildings.			Decision	
			Approval	
			Assurance	X
Strategic Objectives				
To provide outstanding care to our patients	To support each other to do a great job	To inspire excellence	To get the most from our resources	To play a leading role in transforming health and care services
X			X	
Overall Level of Assurance				
	Significant	Sufficient	Limited	None
	X			
Risks/Issues				
Financial	None			
Patient Impact	None			
Staff Impact	None			
Services	None			
Reputational	None			
Committees/groups where this item has been presented before				
Estates & Facilities Governance meeting – 28 th September 2017 Board Risk Committee – 17 th October 2017				
Executive Summary				
<p>The Trust Board is responsible for setting appropriate objectives and accepts its legal duties to ensure compliance with its statutory responsibilities under the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Orders 2005 and discharges its duties in providing safe and secure premises.</p> <p>The annual report is presented to provide the Trust Board with assurance that the premises are compliant with the fire safety requirements specified within fire safety legislation and the guidance documents issued under the Firecode suite of documents published by the NHS.</p> <p>Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust is required to demonstrate to the local fire authority that trust premises are compliant with the requirements of fire safety legislation and other guidance and the premises deliver a safe and secure environment in which to provide services.</p> <p>The annual report presents an overview of the strategy developed to deliver the major work streams in managing fire safety throughout the organisation. Assurances have been received from Skanska Facility Services to evidence that testing, maintenance and rectification of outstanding issues are being managed effectively.</p> <p>The Trust Board will be aware of the tragic events of the Grenfell Towers fire in London and the work the trust was required to undertake in relation to providing assurance that any structural</p>				

materials including cladding were suitably assessed and confirmation given by the Fire Service Inspectorate as to the trusts compliances. This was the subject of a separate paper presented to the Risk Board Committee in July 2017 under Civil Contingencies Assurance and was not within the annual report period.

Recommendation

The Trust Board is asked to **NOTE** the content of the document and take **ASSURANCE** from its conclusions.

The annual report and the trust annual statement of fire safety, require sign off by the Chief Executive following endorsement by the Trust Board.