

## **Board of Directors**

Subject: Board Performance Report

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#### **Executive Summary.**

The key headlines are:

M01 reporting has been difficult due to technical issues in respect of collating clinical income information as well as resource constraints

The draft position at M01 is showing a £200k adverse variance although this may be a result of clinical income

Premium pay levels are £200k less than the value incurred in March but are still running at significant levels

CIP schemes are still to be identified and Programme Board in June is seen as a key milestone to help close the gap

Liquidity support continues to be provided on a monthly basis in line with our operational plan submission

The finance transformation is still causing some issues although the year end accounts process has been fully delivered and to a high standard

Incorrect treatment of a debtor in the operational plan upload means that our Q1 and Q2 plan for cash will be out of synch with Monitor.

#### Recommendation

Board members are recommended to note the key headlines and risks and the actions being taken.

| Relevant Strategic Objectives (please mark in bold) |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| Achieve the best patient experience                 | Achieve financial sustainability             |  |  |  |
| Improve patient safety and provide high             | Build successful relationships with external |  |  |  |
| quality care  | organisations and regulators                 |  |  |  |
| Attract, develop and motivate effective teams       |  |  |  |  |

| Links to the BAF and Corporate   | BAF - Strategic Objective 4:             |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Risk Register                    | Financial and commercial sustainability. |
|                                  |  |
|                                  | Risk Register – Financial Risks          |
| Details of additional risks      | Not applicable                           |
| associated with this paper (may  |  |
| include CQC Essential Standards, |  |

| NHSLA, NHS Constitution)                                       |                                    |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Links to NHS Constitution                                      | Not applicable                     |
| Financial Implications/Impact                                  | Not applicable                     |
| Legal Implications/Impact                                      | Not applicable                     |
| Partnership working & Public<br>Engagement Implications/Impact | Not applicable                     |
| Committees/groups where this item has been presented before    | None                               |
| Monitoring and Review  | Report is standing item each month |
| Is a QIA required/been completed? If yes provide brief details | Not applicable                     |

# Board Financial Performance Report

Sherwood Forest Hospitals

NHS Foundation Trust

M01: April 2014

#### 1.0 Overview and Key Risks

• Month 1 reporting – as in previous years month 1 reporting has been difficult due to the embedding of year end changes to financial systems. Additional difficulties have been experienced this year due to a national clinical income costing and pricing system (SLAM) upgrade causing on-going problems with our clinical income reporting. The system suppliers have informed us that to remedy the fault, a rebuild is required which is being undertaken over the next 3 to 4 days. We are therefore aiming to have the final month 1 position to table at the meeting. Based on the information we have Clinical income first cut is showing a £0.4m shortfall against plan in month despite all the extra activity undertaken.

Due to the above issues month 01 reporting should be seen as indicative, the real benefit of which is the discipline of processing a month end with the opportunity to review systems and ensure that systems and procedures are fit for purpose.

- Overall financial position Based on the Clinical income first cut the year to date financial deficit is £2.9m, which is £0.2m worse than plan. (Appendix A)
- Pay expenditure is above plan by £0.1m as a result of continued use of agency/locum staff although the April levels are £200k from March usage (Appendix B)
- For 2014/15 CIP schemes with a value totalling £5.6m have been identified and the PMO has risk adjusted these to £3.8m. The in-year CIP target for 2014/15 is £8.7m and in addition the Clinical Divisions have been tasked to cover 30% of their underachievement of 13/14 schemes (c£1.7m) in line with principles signed up to in 13/14.. All Divisions are presenting at the Programme Board in June with their short and medium CIP plans to focus on closing the gap. (Appendix C)
- The cash balance at end of April was £0.67m, in line with expected balance following the receipt of Public Dividend Capital cash support. To date whilst the Trust is reliant on this liquidity support, its receipt and the timing of other income is not impacting on payments due. (Appendix D 26 week cash forecast)
- Cash and liquidity The Trust has submitted its capital and revenue Public Dividend Capital (PDC) liquidity support requirements to Monitor / DOH. Payments totalling £4.89m have been received for April and May and the next drawdown of £3.39m is due to be received on 2 June 2014. Currently pending National sign off, all revenue liquidity support is still being received on a temporary basis. DOH is aiming to have permanent PDC allocations agreed by June 2014
- Clinical contract Following discussion at the executive team 2 escalations have been made to the CCG contract executive. These were:
  - A challenge on the effectiveness of the ambulance and patient transport contracts and how the Trust can get more leverage from these arrangements. As a result it has been agreed to undertake a 2 week audit of the type of transport requests being made by the Trust, to provide a richer evidence set for the CCG to use in their discussions

- Recognition of the shift in mix of patients presenting to Emergency Department in terms of majors/minors and the time of day when they present. The Trust is seeking to use this information to help revisit the calculation of the Non Elective threshold used within the PbR contract.
- The annual report and accounts, including the quality accounts are due for submission to Monitor on 29 May 2014. These have been reviewed by the Audit committee and subject to external audit, and are separate agenda items.
- Finance transformation the process to embed the changes continue and there have been difficulties servicing all year end/year start up activities. The Accounts have been prepared in a very short timescale and have been issued an unqualified opinion which is really positive. However the budget setting processes have been slower than in previous years and not all budgets are yet signed off. These issues are been addressed but are clearly causing organisational frustrations. On a more positive note some substantive appointments have now been made and our reliance on interims has been reduced. We have also released office space which is now being utilised by the PAS testing teams.

#### 2.0 Monitor update

**Discretionary requirements** - The Trust has been advised by Monitor that the additional financial reporting requirements may no longer be required. We have excluded the detailed table from this report and wait for formal clarification from monitor.

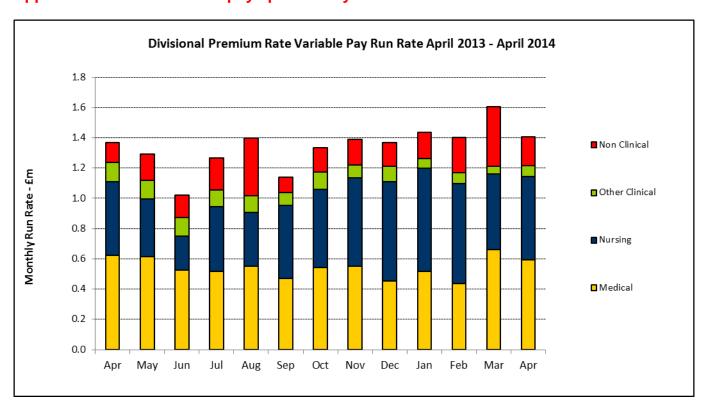
**Operational Plan** - Following re-submission of the Trust's Operational Plan in order to exclude PFI support, the associated debtor for Q1 and 2 of 2014/15 was not removed. As a result the planned cash flow and cash balance in the Q1 and Q2 plan is incorrect. This issue has been discussed with Monitor who has advised that they do not wish to amend the plan as it does not impact our continuity of services rating (COS). For Q1 and Q2 reporting the Trust's cash reporting will be out of synch with the Monitor plan reporting but we will continue to highlight the differences

**Strategic Plan submission** - A timeline is currently being shaped by the Director of Strategic Planning and Commercial Development and the Financial Planning and Strategy Manager. A draft assumptions log has been created and this will be updated throughout the process. A strategy time out day to inform the strategic plan submission has been arranged with the wider Trust leadership team on 23 May 2014. A more detailed update will be provided under the private agenda.

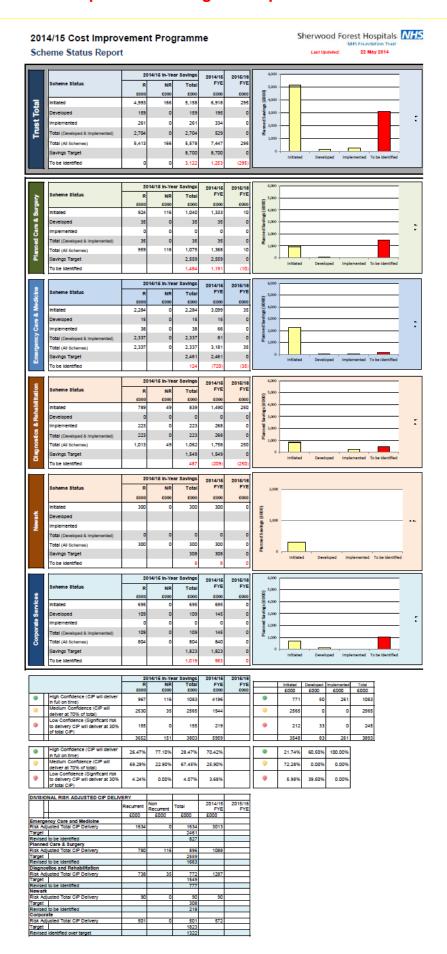
# **Appendix A – Month 1 Income and Expenditure statement**

|                                   | Annual   | Year to Date |         |          |  |
|-----------------------------------|----------|--------------|---------|----------|--|
|                                   | Plan     | Plan         | Actual  | Variance |  |
|                                   | £m       | £m           | £m      | £m       |  |
| Clinical Income                   | 216.90   | 18.06        | 17.63   | (0.43)   |  |
| Other Operating Income            | 38.05    | 3.29         | 3.21    | (80.0)   |  |
| Total Operating Income            | 254.95   | 21.35        | 20.84   | (0.50)   |  |
| Pay                               | (163.68) | (14.02)      | (14.10) | (0.08)   |  |
| Non Pay                           | (91.68)  | (7.86)       | (7.59)  | 0.27     |  |
| Operating Costs Excl. from EBITDA | (8.10)   | (0.67)       | (0.56)  | 0.11     |  |
| Total Operating Expenditure       | (263.47) | (22.56)      | (22.25) | 0.31     |  |
| Profit/(Loss) from Operations     | (8.51)   | (1.21)       | (1.41)  | (0.20)   |  |
| Non Operating Income              | 0.49     | 0.00         | 0.00    | 0.00     |  |
| Non Operating Expenditure         | (18.35)  | (1.47)       | (1.47)  | 0.00     |  |
| Surplus/(Deficit)                 | (26.37)  | (2.68)       | (2.87)  | (0.19)   |  |

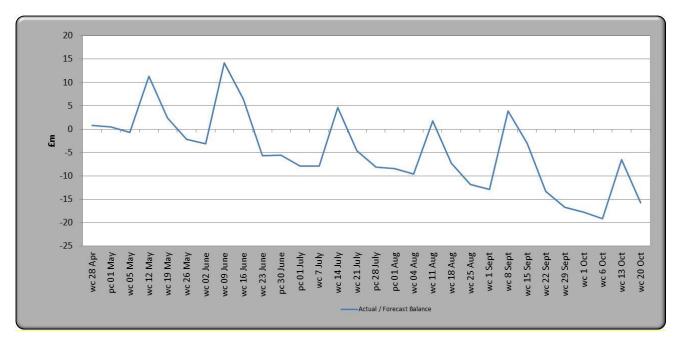
# Appendix B - Premium rate pay spend analysis



## Appendix C – Cost improvement Programme position statement from PMO



## Appendix D - 26 week cash flow forecast



The above graph excludes planned PDC drawdown in May onwards, and the cash impact of the CIP programme for 14/15.

The cash balance at end of April was £0.68m after the receipt of £2.43m in liquidity support. A further £2.36m has been received in May, and the month end forecast cash balance is £0.41m.