

Council of Governors - Cover Sheet

Subject:	External Audit Plan		Date: 13 February 2024		
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Purpose					
Assurance over the External Audit Plan for the year ending 31 March 2024				Approval	
				Assurance	X
				Update	
				Consider	
Strategic Objectives					
Provide outstanding care in the best place at the right time	Improve health and well-being within our communities	Empower and support our people to be the best they can be	To continuously learn and improve	Sustainable use of resources and estate	Work collaboratively with partners in the community
Principal Risk					
PR1	Significant deterioration in standards of safety and care				N/A
PR2	Demand that overwhelms capacity				N/A
PR3	Critical shortage of workforce capacity and capability				N/A
PR4	Failure to achieve the Trust's financial strategy				N/A
PR5	Inability to initiate and implement evidence-based Improvement and innovation				N/A
PR6	Working more closely with local health and care partners does not fully deliver the required benefits				N/A
PR7	Major disruptive incident				N/A
PR8	Failure to deliver sustainable reductions in the Trust's impact on climate change				N/A
Committees/groups where this item has been presented before					
Audit and Assurance Committee					
Acronyms					
Executive Summary					
The report provides an overview of our risk assessment and planned audit approach for the external audit for the year ending 31 March 2024.					