| Meeting: | Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust |
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| | Trust Board |
| Date: | 27 October 2016 |
| Board Sponsor: | Steve Holmberg, Medical Director |
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| Subject: | Risk Management – Board Assurance Framework |

Executive Summary

The Trust's Board Assurance Framework (BAF) is presented for the Board's consideration, inviting input, challenge, and suggestions for further population.

This is the first populated version of the new BAF template, proposed to the Board for formal adoption.

The format of this report remains a "work in progress" and as before, all feedback and observations from Board members will be very welcome.

Action required by the Board

The Board is asked to consider, challenge, and offer suggestions for further population of the Board Assurance Framework 2016/17 proposed at Appendix One.

| Links to corporate objectives | The report concerns all of the corporate objectives and the risks to their delivery. |
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| Identified risks and risk management actions | Failure to maintain robust risk management and business planning arrangements exposes the Trust to risks associated with: • The safety of individuals • Regulatory compliance status • Legal sanctions • Service delivery • Reputational damage |
| Resource implications | At this stage, no resources are required, other than those previously agreed in association with revision of the clinical governance function. |

| Legal implications | Robust risk management processes are a legal requirement of the Health & Safety at Work Act 1974, and regulatory requirements of both the Trust's CQC registration and Monitor Licence. Failure to provide suitable risk management could lead to prosecution, enforcement action on the part of the Trust's key regulators and findings of liability in civil law proceedings. |
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| Report history | The Board Assurance Framework at Appendix One was reviewed by the Quality and Performance Committee on 20th October 2016. |
| Appendices | Appendix One – Board Assurance Framework 2016/17 |