

Board of Directors

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Report Title:	ESNEFT Corporate Governance Framework and Committee Terms of Reference
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Previously considered by:	Trust Executive

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Executive summary
This paper sets out the programme for the approval of the Corporate Governance Framework for East Suffolk and North Essex NHS Foundation Trust and presents some discussion issues on the format and composition of the board assurance committees.
Action Required of the Board of Directors
Board members are asked to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consider the discussion points in paragraph 5 above and the recommendations made. 2. Note the process and status of the programme for approving the East Suffolk and North Essex NHS Foundation Trust Corporate Governance Framework.

Link to Strategic Objectives (SO)		Please tick
SO1	Improve quality and patient outcomes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SO2	Provide better value for money	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SO3	Sustain and improve access to services that meet the needs of the population	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SO4	Deliver a sustainable, skilled workforce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Risk Implications for the Trust <i>(including any clinical and financial consequences)</i>	If we do not have an effective corporate governance framework that meets the best practice requirements of the Foundation Trust Code of Governance and the NHSI/CQC Well-led Framework, this may result in governance failure and regulatory action
Trust Risk Appetite	Compliance/Regulatory: The board has a minimal risk appetite when it comes to compliance with regulatory issues. It will meet laws, regulations and standards unless there is strong evidence or argument to challenge them

Legal and regulatory implications <i>(including links to CQC outcomes, Monitor, inspections, audits, etc)</i>	NHS Act 2006, Trust Constitution, FT Code of Governance, Well-led Framework
Financial Implications	The corporate governance framework includes arrangements for delegation of financial responsibilities and limits for authorising expenditure, as well as accountability and assurance arrangements over financial control

Equality and Diversity	No implications noted for equality and diversity
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