

Sustainability Update

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Previous Committees:	NONE

Trust Goals	
The best for patient safety, quality and experience	✓
The best place to work	✓
A centre for excellence for research, education and innovation	✓
Seamless integrated care across organisational boundaries	
Financial sustainability	✓

Risk Appetite Framework				
Level 1 Risk	(✓)	Level 2 Risks	(Risk Appetite Scale)	Risk
Workforce Risk		Choose an item.	Choose an item	Choose an item.
Operational Risk		Choose an item.	Choose an item	Choose an item.
Clinical Risk		Choose an item.	Choose an item	Choose an item.
Financial Risk		Financial Management & Waste Reduction Risk - We will deliver sound financial management and reporting for the Trust with no material misstatements or variances to forecast.	Cautious	↔ (same)
External Risk		Regulatory Risk - We will comply with or exceed all regulations, retain its CQC registration and always operate within the law.	Averse	↔ (same)

Key points	
1. This paper provides an update on LTHT's activity to date in relation to sustainability including the key interventions that have been undertaken to reduce carbon emissions and the corporate response to the climate health emergency.	For Information

1. Summary

The paper provides an update on LTHT's activity on sustainability since the publication of the Green Plan in September 2021. It includes an overview of the carbon reduction that has been achieved, a description of the key interventions and key successes.

Sustainability performance is reported to The Trust Finance and Performance meeting on a six monthly basis and included within the blue box of the public board for information. However, in light of the increased attention and interest in climate change owing to the recent COP26 negotiations held in Glasgow in November, the Trust's sustainability journey and progress with sustainability goals is now included as an annual agenda item at the Public Board.

2. Background

At LTHT we recognise the enormous challenge that the issues of climate change, air pollution and waste present to our city and the impact these issues will have on our patients. We have undertaken significant work over the past several years to address these issues, this has included publishing a Carbon Reduction Plan, a Sustainable Development Management Plan and most recently the Green Plan.

LTHT have a clear commitment to improving sustainability performance and have the aspiration to become one of the greenest NHS Trusts. We provide six-monthly updates on our progress to the board is part of the Finance and Performance board. We have included sustainability within the blue box for information however, in light of the increased public interest in the issues of climate change and the growing importance of carbon reduction, this report aims to inform on our sustainability work since the publication of the Green Plan in September 2020.

This report provides context on the NHS's response to the climate health crisis, with the publication of a net-zero strategy as part of their Greener NHS Campaign launched last year and the target of achieving net-zero carbon emissions across the NHS by 2040. The report also benchmarks our progress against our Green Plan strategy and details the key actions and interventions we have implemented as part of this plan and to mark the recent COP26 climate conference.

3. Proposal

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4. Financial Implications

There are no financial implications from the presentation of this paper.

5. Risk

This paper is for information, and therefore does not impact on the existing or future risk appetite.

6. Communication and Involvement

A sustainability communications plan ensures that progress with the Green Plan and key sustainability initiatives are shared with staff and our local and regional partners.

7. Equality Analysis

Climate change is projected to exacerbate existing health inequalities. The Trust's ambition to become one of the greenest hospitals and to reach net zero by 2040 will actively improve the opportunities for promoting equality.

8. Publication Under Freedom of Information Act

- This paper has been made available under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

9. Recommendation

It is recommended that the board should receive the report for assurance on progress against the Trust's green Plan

10. Supporting Information

The following papers make up this report:

Appendix 1 Sustainability Update

Appendix 2 Our Route to Net Zero

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