The Queen Elizabeth Hospital NHS
King's Lynn
NHS Foundation Trust

REPORT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS (IN PUBLIC)

RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:	REPORT FOR:		IMPACT ON BUSINESS:		
	Decision		High	Med	Low
Catherine Morgan Director of Nursing	Discussion	√	√		
	Information	√			
LEAD MANAGER:	**REPORT TYPE:**		**BAF REFERENCES & RAG:**		
Louise Stevens Head of Integrated Clinical Governance	Strategic	√			
	Operational				
	Governance	√	**RELATED WORK: (PREVIOUS PAPERS TO COMMITTEE)**		
PEER ASSIST:	**PEER REVIEW:**				
CQC Essential Standard Ref:	All				

Meeting Date: 24th November 2015

Report Title: RISK COMMITTEE ESCALATION REPORT

PURPOSE:

To provide the Board with an overview of all Trust risks which score as ≥15 and to highlight any areas of concern or significant change

SUMMARY:

The Risk Register is subject to monthly review by the Risk committee (a subgroup of the Board) where the register is scrutinised on 3 levels:

- Risks ≥ 15 occurring anywhere in the Trust
- Divisional risk registers (on a 3 monthly rotational basis)
- Category or department specific risks e.g. health & safety, infection control, human resources

Areas of note from the November Risk committee meeting include:

- Emergency & Medicine Risk Register key risks:
  - Medical Outliers – score 15
  - Ambulance handovers – score 12
  - Medical staffing – score 12
  - Out of hours temporary pacing service in cardiology – score 12

- Estates Risk Register –
  - Fire risks have been re-articulated and reduced from 5 to 3 separate risks on the corporate register. Briefing paper to be submitted for Board agenda in December. Also discussed at Health & Safety Committee
  - Risk 1135 Roof Integrity rated at 12 –- remains of concern. Business case to be developed by end of financial year and to be included as part of the Estates Strategy
  - Risk 2041 Electrical Distribution Boards - reduced to 12 so now off the corporate register following investment programme

- Risk 2006 – Age of electrical Installations in Theatres – reviewed and rescored now off corporate register – part of theatre refurbishment plans

- Pharmacy Risk Register -
  - There are no critical scoring risks
  - Risk 1032 Lack of senior workforce – rated 8 — skill mix has been reviewed and staff numbers increased but there Is still concern over the number of senior pharmacists in the department
  - Risk 1180 Department ergonomics rated 12 –increased risk of error due to space and lack of Robot

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS / EFFICIENCY SAVINGS / QUALITY IMPROVEMENT:

- Significant financial implications surrounding the Estates risks and prioritisation of work
- Quality & Safety assurances provided through challenge around the mitigation and controls in place
- Work still required to establish a standardised and robust action planning and monitoring process for risk registers at local level

RISK ASSESSMENT (CROSS-REFERENCE WITH RISK REGISTER WHERE APPROPRIATE):

Strategic / External	Operational/ Organisational	Financial	Clinical	Legal/ Regulatory	Reputational / Patient Experience
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RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board is invited to:

- Review the risk controls and progress to date and consider if these are reasonable
- Note changes to current and any emerging risks