

Report to:	Annual General Meeting, 13 September 2012
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Title	Annual Report and Annual Accounts 2011/12
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Purpose	To present the Annual Report and Annual Accounts 2011/12
Previously considered by	Trust Board, Audit Committee

Executive Summary
<p>This paper presents the Annual Report and Annual Accounts 2011/12 for The Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust.</p> <p>NHS Trusts are required to produce an Annual Report and Annual Accounts in accordance with guidance set out in the NHS Finance Manual: Manual for Accounts.</p> <p>In addition, this year’s report supports our transition to NHS Foundation Trust status by incorporating significant elements of annual reporting guidance for NHS Foundation Trusts. This includes enhanced information about sustainability, and further information about the employees of the Trust including a diversity profile and staff survey results.</p> <p>A presentation, summarising the Annual Report and Annual Accounts 2011/12, will be made to the Annual General Meeting.</p>

Related SATH Objectives	SATH Sub-Objectives
The Annual Report and Annual Accounts 2011/12 relates to all Trust objectives	The Annual Report and Annual Accounts 2011/12 relates to all Trust sub-objectives, and specifically to CO:LG4 “Develop a clinically led organisation and build capacity and capability for the future” and CO:QS55 “Meet regulatory requirements and healthcare standards”.

Risk and Assurance Issues	<p>The <i>Annual Report and Annual Accounts 2011/12</i> supports openness in risk and assurance through publication of the Annual Governance Statement within the Annual Accounts. Specifically, the Annual Governance Statement describes the systems in place throughout the year to manage risk and gain assurance</p> <p>In approving the <i>Annual Report and Annual Accounts 2011/12</i> members of the Trust Board are confirming to the best of their knowledge and belief that there is no relevant audit information of which the Trust's auditors are unaware and that members of the Trust Board have taken the steps they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Trust's auditors are aware of that information.</p>
Equality and Diversity Issues	<p>The <i>Annual Report and Annual Accounts 2011/12</i> refers to our goals for improving equality and embracing diversity, particularly in relation to our employment practice. This year we have included a diversity profile of the Trust's employees.</p>
Legal and Regulatory Issues	<p>The <i>Annual Report and Annual Accounts 2011/12</i> supports statutory reporting in line with the Companies Act 2006 and related guidance and legislation. When we are established as an NHS Foundation Trust the full annual report and statutory accounts must be laid before parliament before the end of June following the reporting year.</p>

Action required by the Annual General Meeting

The Trust Board is asked to RECEIVE and NOTE the Annual Report and Annual Accounts 2011/12.