

Board of Directors' Meeting: 9 May 2024

Agenda item	085/24			
Report Title	Fit & Proper Person Test (FPPT) Framework for Board Members			
Executive Lead	Anna Milanec, Director of Governance/Company Secretary – on behalf of Chair of the Trust			
Report Author	Beverley Barnes, Board Coordinator			
CQC Domain:	Link to Strategic Goal:	Link to BAF / risk:		
Safe	Our patients and community	Trust Risk Register id:		
Effective	Our people			
Caring	Our service delivery			
Responsive	Our governance			√
Well Led	Our partners			√
Consultation Communication	Direct to the Board of Directors			
Executive summary:	<p>In September 2023, NHS England launched new national Fit and Proper Person Test (FPPT) Framework guidance. The Framework sits in the wider context of good governance, leadership and Board development, and is intended to strengthen individual accountability for Board members, thus enhancing the quality of leadership within the NHS.</p> <p>Overall accountability for adherence to the framework remains with the Chair, which applies to all voting and non-voting executive and non-executive Board members.</p> <p>In addition to the new framework requiring all new Board members to demonstrate that they have met all the required criteria prior to appointment, there is also an ongoing requirement for individual assessments to be completed on currently serving Board members each year.</p> <p>This report therefore provides confirmation to the Board that all necessary individual annual checks have been completed, and the evidence reviewed confirms that all serving members of the Board are fit and proper.</p> <p>The requirements for the annual 2024 FPPT assessment have therefore been fully satisfied, and an overall summary submitted to the regional NHSE team in line with the framework guidance.</p>			
Recommendations for the Board:	The Board of Directors is asked to note the report.			
Appendices:	N/A			