

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY****REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**20 JANUARY 2016**

<b>Subject</b>	Code of Conduct for the Board of Directors
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<b>Status<sup>1</sup></b>	A

**PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

To seek approval for Code of Conduct for the Board of Directors

**KEY POINTS**

- High standards of corporate and personal conduct are an essential component of public service.
- The purpose of the Code of Conduct is to provide clear guidance on the standards of conduct and behaviour expected of all members of the Board of Directors.
- This Code, together with the Code of Conduct for Governors, the Code of Business Conduct and the NHS Constitution, forms part of the governance framework designed to promote the highest possible standards of conduct and behaviour within the Trust.
- The Code is intended to operate in conjunction with the Trust's Constitution, its Standing Orders and Monitor's Code of Governance.
- The Code applies at all times when directors are carrying out the business of the Trust or representing the Trust.

**IMPLICATIONS<sup>2</sup>**

<b>AIM OF THE STHFT CORPORATE STRATEGY 2012-2017</b>		<b>TICK AS APPROPRIATE</b>
1	Deliver the Best Clinical Outcomes	
2	Provide Patient Centred Services	
3	Employ Caring and Cared for Staff	X
4	Spend Public Money Wisely	X
5	Deliver Excellent Research, Education & Innovation	

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Board is asked to **APPROVE** the Code of Conduct for the Board of Directors.

**APPROVAL PROCESS**

<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Approved Y/N</b>