

**Meeting Assurance Report  
to the Board of Directors**

<b>Name of Committee / Group</b>	Research and Innovation Committee
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	20 August 2024
<b>Chair</b>	Dean Royles, Non-Executive Director
<b>Lead Officer</b>	David Black, Chief Medical Director (Development)
<b>Meeting Administrator</b>	Beth Jones, Business Manager

**Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to provide in summary an update on the key discussions and outcomes of the above meeting.

**Agenda items covered at the meeting**

The agenda included the following items:

- Research and Innovation Performance and Insights
- Update on the Research and Innovation Implementation Plan, including update on cancer clinical trials centre recovery
- Board to Board between Sheffield Teaching Hospitals, The University of Sheffield and Sheffield Hallam University - Academic Health Partnership Proposals
- Research Executive Committee and Innovation Executive Committee Meeting Assurance Reports from the meetings held in July 2024

Documents approved were:

- Research Executive Committee Terms of Reference

**Matters to highlight**

Specific areas to highlight are as follows:

- This was an additional meeting to help maintain momentum.
- Research metrics were reviewed. It was noted that STH did not benchmark well with other comparable Trusts. It was noted a more comprehensive set of metrics would be presented to the October meeting.
- An initial set of innovation metrics will be presented to the October meeting.
- The combined metrics and innovation insights report will also include updates on other notable research and innovation taking place within STH to help build understanding of the range of activity taking place.
- The Insight report will also, in future included an update on the financial position and associated risks and opportunities.

- The Committee welcomed the update and progress with the development of the R&I Strategy Implementation plan (which will encompass recovery) and look forward to seeing the plan presented at the October meeting.
- The Committee noted the update on the potential development of an Academic Health Partnership with the City's Universities.
- The committee noted the first assurance reports from the executive committees and ratified the ToR of the Research Executive Committee. Updated ToR for the Innovation Executive Committee will be presented for ratification at the October meeting.

**New significant issues / concerns escalated including proposals on the next steps to address this**

- None

**Implications**

<b>Aim of the STHFT Corporate Strategy</b>		<b>✓ Tick as appropriate</b>
1	Deliver the Best Clinical Outcomes	✓
2	Provide Patient Centred Services	✓
3	Employ Caring and Cared for Staff	✓
4	Spend Public Money Wisely	✓
5	Create a Sustainable Organisation	✓
6	Deliver Excellent Research, Education and Innovation	✓

**Recommendations**

The Board of Directors is asked to **NOTE** the update provided and respond to any specific points raised within the report.