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Birmingham Women's NHS
NHS Foundation Trust

SUBJECT :	Approval of strategic objectives for 2013-2018
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RECOMMENDATIONS

The Board is invited to:

a. Note that the draft objectives were considered by Council who expressed no comments on the proposals
b. Approve the strategic objectives for the period 2013 to 2018.
c. Note that the strategic risks on the BAF will be reviewed based on the new objectives approved by the Board.

Links to Strategic objectives	

Links to BAF risks	

Links to compliance requirements	Setting strategic objectives as part of Annual Planning- *Compliance Framework*
	Consulting with Governors on forward planning- *NHS Act 2006*

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As part of the annual planning cycle, the Trust is expected to annually review its strategic objectives, to ensure that they remain relevant and achievable. The reviewed strategic objectives, when approved by the Board, then lead to a review of the strategic risks expressed on the Board Assurance Framework, to ensure that the risks are properly reflective of the strategic objectives as updated.

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Following a review by the Executive team, the Board is invited to consider the attached strategic objectives for the period 2013 to 2018. These are developmental from the objectives approved in 2012, and have minor updates to reflect both actions achieved and new opportunities that have been identified. However, the main objectives remain as the four approved last year:

- To deliver an excellent experience that exceeds our patients' expectations
- To consistently deliver clinical and laboratory outcomes that place us amongst the top hospitals
- To develop an exceptional organisation where people achieve their potential
- To work with our partners to maintain and develop our service, academic and research standing

The updated lines are shown in the attachment as red text.

Consultation with Council
As part of the more general requirement to consult with Council regarding the Trust's forward planning proposals, the Board is expected to consult with Council regarding the proposed strategic objectives, in order to ensure that they are in line with the expectations of the membership and general public that Governors represent.

The proposed changes were considered by Council at its meeting in February 2013, and no comments were made at that stage. Governors were invited to feed any further comments to Professor Keeton following the meeting, and an update will be provided at the Board.