



## Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

### Report to Scrutiny Board (Health and Well-being and Adult Social Care)

Date: 21 March 2014

Subject: **Aspiring NHS Foundation Trusts – Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust progress update**

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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## 1 Purpose of this report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to present an update on the progress of Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust (LTHT) towards achieving Foundation Trust status.

## 2 Background

2.1 At its meeting on 31 July 2013, the Scrutiny Board heard from LTHT regarding its plans and general trajectory associated with achieving NHS Foundation Trust status. The Scrutiny Board also considered the role of NHS Trust Development Authority (TDA), which is responsible for providing leadership and support to the non-Foundation Trust sector of NHS providers, providing around £30bn of NHS funded care each year.

2.2 At that meeting, the Scrutiny Board considered the details presented and discussed a number of issues, including:

- LTHT's progress against a range of performance targets, including A&E waiting times and 'Referral to treatment times'.
- Achieving financial targets as part of the Foundation Trust requirements and the relationship between costs and service quality;
- The relationship between clinical audit, research and service quality;
- Complaints systems and handling at LCH and LTHT;
- The use of hospital estate, backlog maintenance and the overall capital programme at LTHT;
- Maintaining high quality care and patient safety.

2.3 The Scrutiny Board agreed to maintain an overview of developments and formally consider progress at a future meeting.

### **3 Main issues**

- 3.1 Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust (LTHT) has been invited to provide a written update on the Trust's general progress towards achieving Foundation Trust status, including progress against the action plan produced during the time of the Recovery Director being in post at the Trust. The update for the Trust is attached at Appendix 1.
- 3.2 Given its role in relation to non-Foundation NHS Trusts, NHS Trust Development Authority (TDA) has also been invited to provide a brief update regarding LTHT's progress. This will be shared with members of the Scrutiny Board as soon as practicable.
- 3.3 LTHT's Chief Executive has been invited to attend the meeting and outline LTHT's progress to date. Representatives from the local Clinical Commissioning Groups have also been invited to attend the meeting.

### **4 Recommendations**

- 4.1 Members of the Scrutiny Board are asked to consider the information presented and identify any specific matters that require further and/or more detailed scrutiny.

### **5 Background papers<sup>1</sup>**

- 5.1 None used

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<sup>1</sup> The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.