

REPORT TO THE TRUST BOARD 30th January 2014

Paper Title:	Care & Environment Report
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Purpose:	To update the Board on progress with improving care and the environment across the Trust
Action required by the board:	For information
Document previously considered by:	None

Executive summary

1. **Key messages:** Improvements to the Hospital Environment & Medical Equipment from December 2013 – January 2014

Capital Developments:

Gray and Vernon additional beds

With the relocation of the Surgical Assessment Lounge to the first floor Grosvenor Wing, space on Gray and Vernon ward has been converted to provide 15 additional new beds. Building work is now complete included a full refurbishment of existing space to provide new clinical accommodation to support the winter capacity requirements.

Surgical Admissions and Discharge Lounge

Office and board room space on the first floor Grosvenor Wing was given up and totally refurbished to provide a dedicated surgical admission and discharge lounge. This aim of this project was twofold; firstly, to provide increased capacity in order to relieve the pressure on beds but more importantly to locate the new department closer to St James Wing theatres and provide increased efficiencies for the surgeons and anaesthetists to review the patients. The construction work is complete and the unit operational.

Medical Equipment purchased from October 2013 to January 2014

Description of Investment	Total costs incl VAT	Reason for purchase
Ultrasound scanner for St James's x-ray	£54,960	Replacement of current old scanners which do not meet clinical needs due to poor image quality.
Injector for MRI Lanesborough	£23,697	Replacement for ageing equipment that works intermittently, impacting on service efficiency and patient turnaround times.
Resuscitaires for Neonatal	£19,283	Purchased to adhere to NICE guidelines regarding the use of blenders on resuscitaires
Ultrasound scanner for Labour ward	£23,628	Replacement of an old ultrasound scanner that has reached end of life and was breaking down too frequently.
Echo machine for cardiac theatres	£178,438	Replacement for TOE capable machines in theatres as the current ones were giving very low image quality.
UV drying cabinets for Endoscopy	£43,831	To comply with current H&S rules decontamination of TOE probes should be centralised into the Endoscopy department.
Neo-natal ventilator	£25,000	Replacement of obsolete ventilators and continuation towards standardisation.
Portable ultrasound scanner for chest clinic	£25,000	Replacement for old and unreliable machine.
Ureteroscopes for urology	£28,512	Current scopes were decommissioned due to being un-repairable.
Debrider consoles and foot pedal for ENT theatres	£21,133	Two existing consoles are obsolete and cannot be repaired
<i>Arrhythmia detection system for cardiac investigations</i>	<i>£10,991</i>	<i>Will offer an improved service to patients by providing automated and non-invasive monitoring of arrhythmias.</i>

Cooling system for PICU	£8,339	Replacement of old and obsolete system and move towards standardisation
Neonatal incubator	£28,482	Replacement of old incubator with state of the art multifunction system, capable of delivering incubation and open heating care all in one.
Olea software for Neuro radiology	£21,883	To support research in neurosciences
Stack system for ENT at Queen Mary's Hospital	£14,508	
Winter wards expansion	£71,922	Equipment needed for the winter wards expansion

Italic = purchased with charity money

BOLD = purchased from divisional capital funds

2. **Recommendation:** The report is for information purposes only. The Board are asked to note the improvements to the environment and medical equipment since November 2013

Key risks identified:

Completed Projects

Related Corporate Objective:

Strategic Aim no.6 - Continually improve our facilities and environment. Objective 19 - To continually improve efficiency of Estates and Facilities Services

Related CQC Standard:

Regulation 15

Equality Impact Assessment (EIA): Has an EIA been carried out? (Yes / No)

If yes, please provide a summary of the key findings If no, please explain you reasons for not undertaking and EIA.

Appendix A:

1. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT FORM – INITIAL SCREENING

Headline outcomes for the Equality Delivery System (EDS)

- Better health outcomes for all
- Improved patient access and experience
- Empowered, engaged and well-supported staff
- Inclusive leadership at all levels

Service/Function/Policy	Directorate / Department	Assessor(s)	New or Existing Service or Policy?	Date of Assessment
1.1 Who is responsible for this service / function / policy?				

Neal Deans
1.2 Describe the purpose of the service / function / policy? To improve the environment of the estate.
1.3 Are there any associated objectives? Patient Environment Action Team (PEAT)
1.4 What factors contribute or detract from achieving intended outcomes? N/A
1.5 Does the service / policy / function / have a positive or negative impact in terms of the protected groups under the Equality Act 2010. These are Age, Disability (physical and mental), Gender-reassignment, Marriage and Civil partnership, Pregnancy and maternity, Sex /Gender, Race (inc nationality and ethnicity), Sexual orientation, Region or belief and Human Rights No
1.6 If yes, please describe current or planned activities to address the impact.
1.7 Is there any scope for new measures which would promote equality? N/A
1.8 What are your monitoring arrangements for this policy/ service N/A
1.9 Equality Impact Rating 2.0. Please give you reasons for this rating