

**Trust Board of Directors Meeting
Report Summary**

Date of Meeting: 6 July 2023	
Title of Document: Health and Safety Annual Report 2022/23	
To be presented by: Dr Shane Gordon, Director of Strategy, Research and Innovation	Author: Mark Benbow, Head of Health and Safety
1. Status: For Noting/Information	
2. Purpose: Noting for assurance and legislative requirements	
Relates to:	
Strategic Objective	
Operational performance	
Quality	
Legal/Regulatory/Audit	Relevant legislation and regulations pertaining to the Health and Safety At Work Act 1974
Finance	
Governance	
NHS policy/public consultation	
Accreditation/inspection	
Anchor institutions	
ICS/ICB/Alliance	
Board Assurance Framework (BAF) Risk	
Other	
3. Summary:	
<p>The purpose of this report is to provide assurance on compliance with legislation and ESNEFT policies to the Health & Safety Committee and the ESNEFT Trust Board. Included within the report is statistical analysis and key information regarding Health & Safety (H&S) activity, audit programme and progress, training compliance, reported incidents, RIDDOR and investigation outcomes across ESNEFT, together with monitoring and responding to the health and safety needs of the Trust.</p> <p>This is the first annual Health and Safety annual report ESNEFT merged with ACE in July 2022. The report and purpose of it conforms to the Trust's Health and Safety Policy, Safety</p>	

Representatives and Safety Committees Regulations 1977 and the Health and Safety (Consultation with Employees) Regulations 1996.

The Health & Safety annual report covers the period 1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023.

The report outlines key developments and the work that has been undertaken during this reporting period, and is an opportunity to consider work planned, and the objectives for the year ahead.

It reflects the Trust's compliance with the Board of Directors approved 'Statement of Intent' and Health & Safety Policy Statement, which requires those responsible for health and safety within the Trust premises and during Trust activities to:

- Comply with health and safety legislation;
- Implement health and safety arrangements;
- Comply with monitoring and reporting mechanisms appropriate to internal and external key stakeholders and statutory bodies;
- Develop partnership working and to ensure health and safety arrangements are maintained for all

To ensure that the health and safety agenda is not only embedded, but embraced throughout the Trust using a variety of monitoring methods, including:

- Health and Safety Committee (quarterly)
- Divisional Governance (monthly) meetings
- Risk based monitoring groups, such as asbestos and water safety.

4. Recommendations / Actions

The Board is asked to acknowledge the report and its contents