

TRUST BOARD SUMMARY SHEET	
Title	Sustainability Strategy
Submitted by	Charles Abolins, Director of Facilities and Capital Development
Date of meeting	Wednesday 28 April 2010
Balanced scorecard/assurance framework reference	
<p>SUMMARY OF CRITICAL POINTS</p> <p>There are a number of reasons why Northampton General Hospital needs to understand, manage and reduce its carbon footprint.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The new legally binding Government framework and national targets • The strength of the scientific evidence to act now on climate change • The health co-benefits for patients and populations and for the health system itself • The importance of cost reductions and energy resilience • The commitment of the wider NHS to act • The need for the NHS to be a leading public exemplar <p>The Sustainability Strategy will provide a strategic framework for environmental sustainability, creating a governance structure to enable the Trust to manage and minimise its environmental impact.</p>	
PATIENT IMPACT	
STAFF IMPACT	
FINANCIAL IMPACT	
RISK ASSESSMENT	
<p>RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>The Trust Board is asked to consider this document in detail and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approve the Sustainability Strategy • Confirm its commitment to Sustainable Development as a key corporate objective for the Trust • Support the next steps set out in this document 	