

Board of Directors Meeting in Public - Cover Sheet

Subject:	Chair's Report	5 May 2022		
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Purpose				
To update on key events and information from the last month.			Approval	
			Assurance	X
			Update	
			Consider	
Strategic Objectives				
To provide outstanding care	To promote and support health and wellbeing	To maximise the potential of our workforce	To continuously learn and improve	To achieve better value
X	X	X	X	X
Overall Level of Assurance				
	Significant	Sufficient	Limited	None
			X	
Risks/Issues				
Financial				
Patient Impact				
Staff Impact				
Services				
Reputational				
Committees/groups where this item has been presented before				
N/a				
Executive Summary				
An update regarding some of the most noteworthy events and items over the past month from the Chair's perspective.				

The past few weeks and months have been extremely challenging for our hospitals (and the NHS as a whole) and I would like to acknowledge the remarkable and continuing dedication, commitment and compassion demonstrated by colleagues across Sherwood Forest Hospitals.

Attendances for urgent and emergency care have been high and we have faced challenges discharging medically fit patients (those who no longer need the level of care delivered in an acute hospital).

Teams across the Trust have coped admirably to give the best treatment to patients and, on behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to express our thanks to them.

Welcome to our new Governors

I am delighted to officially welcome our newly elected governors to Sherwood Forest Hospitals.

We have two new staff governors, to cover our King's Mill and Mansfield Community sites, four public governors for the Mansfield area and two for Ashfield.

Staff governors:

- Vikram Desai, Staff Governor for King's Mill and Mansfield Community Hospitals
- Justin Wyatt, Staff Governor for King's Mill and Mansfield Community Hospitals

Public governors:

- Janice Bramley, Public Governor for Mansfield
- Michael Longdon, Public Governor for Mansfield
- Ruth Scott, Public Governor for Mansfield
- John Howard Wood, Public Governor for Mansfield
- Liz Barret, Public Governor for Ashfield
- Jane Stubbings, Public Governor for Ashfield.

Our governors are here to represent the interests of staff and our membership, holding the Non-Executive Directors to account for the performance of the Trust Board. They bring valuable perspectives and play an important role holding the Trust accountable for the services it provides, as well as helping it deliver quality care to local communities.

More than 1,600 votes were cast during the election from our membership of 22,834.

System-wide meetings and engagement

We watch with interest as the legislation to enable the transfer of responsibilities to the Integrated Care System makes its journey through Parliament.

We continue to work within the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire system to develop our collaboration with system partners that can help to achieve the aims of improved patient health and reduce health inequalities.

Each month I take part in meetings with our partners across the system including leaders from Nottingham University Hospitals and Notts Healthcare.

Trust welcomes international recruitment lead

We welcomed the NHS's Deputy Chief Nursing Officer and national lead for international nurse recruitment, Duncan Burton, to celebrate our international recruitment efforts.

Duncan heard how we have successfully recruited more than 100 international colleagues, with more than 20 more waiting to be trained. During the visit, he met some of our international registered nurses and midwives before visiting our Same Day Emergency Care Unit (SDEC), RSU (Respiratory Assessment Unit) and Maternity.

He thanked colleagues for showcasing initiatives to improve patient care and our strong international recruitment programme.

He also awarded silver Chief Nurse Awards to Ardaine Ramos, a Trainee Advanced Clinical Practitioner in our Emergency Department; Clinical Governance Lead Nurse Kay Orgill; and Practice Development Matron Emma Bartle.

Well done to all three and thank you to everyone who helped make Duncan feel so welcome.

Sherwood Forest announces new Director of Strategy and Partnerships

Please join me in welcoming David Ainsworth to Sherwood Forest Hospitals as our new Director of Strategy and Partnerships.

Currently Locality Director for the Mid-Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Group, David is joining #TeamSFH as we prepare for the new Nottingham and Mid-Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Partnership (ICP), which will support closer working between health and social care partners and our communities from July.

David will be a familiar face to many already as he is currently one of our appointed governors, and his work in primary care and with other partner organisations will be invaluable as the ICP develops new ways of working to improve patient care and the health of everyone we serve.

New Chief Pharmacist

I was delighted to take part in the selection process for our new Chief Pharmacist. We have been fortunate to harness some of our existing talent with the appointment of Mo Rahman to the role. Mo is currently our Assistant Chief Pharmacist and will be stepping up before the summer to lead the development of our pharmacy services with a vision to improve how we deliver care to patients.

Easter donations throughout the Trust

It was heart-warming to hear how pupils at Forest Glade Primary School in Sutton-in-Ashfield were donating Easter eggs to the maternity ward at King's Mill Hospital for staff to hand out to the siblings of new babies born over the Easter weekend.

The children decided to make the donations as part of a siblings project at the school.

We also received Easter eggs and toys from Mansfield Road Runners, who made their annual journey from the John Cockle Pub in Sutton-in-Ashfield to King's Mill Hospital. The club also donated £6,000 to the Trust, which is to be split between the neonatal and children's wards.

Members of Trent Vineyard Church showed their appreciation for the NHS with the donation of 139 eggs for staff.

Other Easter donations were received from: D Gyms, Nikita Wilson, Woods of Westgate, Mansfield Innovation Centre, the Old Ship Inn, Nottingham Building Society, Soul Takers Motorcycle Club, Widecombe Fair Pub, and the Food Warehouse

Supporting national Administrative Professionals Day

During April we celebrated and recognised the hard work and dedication of our administrative colleagues.

Coinciding with World Administrative Professionals Day on Wednesday April 27, colleagues were invited to take part in events through the week to support, develop and connect colleagues across the organisation, including nominating for the #TeamSFH Proud2bAdmin 2022 Awards.

Congratulations to:

- Georgie Schofield, Business Administration Apprentice of the Year
- Jayshree Wagstaff, Most Helpful Admin
- Paula Wilkinson, Admin Star of the Year

- The Corporate Secretariat, Admin Team of the Year
- Beth Hall, Best Newcomer to a Team
- Jill Murphy, Lifetime Achievement Award.

Well done to the winners and everyone who was nominated.

Charity and volunteer activity

I was delighted to hear about the amazing work of Angela McCreadie and Wendy Broughton, who have been fund-raising since 2010 to support breast and urology services.

An amazing £102,000 has been donated, enabling us to enrich patient experience in these two specialties. Money is raised at an annual Breast and Balls event.

Thank you to Angela and Wendy and their supporters for their commitment to fund-raising for #TeamSFH.

Consultant appointments

I'd like to formally welcome Khalid Khan, a locum Consultant in Trauma and Orthopaedics, who has been appointed substantively, and Aveek Mitra, who was a Post CCT Senior Trauma Fellow at Gloucester.