

Council of Governors - Cover Sheet

Subject:	Lead Governor Report	Date: 21 st February 2023		
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Purpose				
To provide assurance to the Council of Governors from the perspective of the Lead Governor		Approval		
		Assurance		
		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
Identify which principal risk this report relates to:				
PR1	Significant deterioration in standards of safety and care			
PR2	Demand that overwhelms capacity			
PR3	Critical shortage of workforce capacity and capability			
PR4	Failure to achieve the Trust's financial strategy			
PR5	Inability to initiate and implement evidence-based Improvement and innovation			
PR6	Working more closely with local health and care partners does not fully deliver the required benefits			
PR7	Major disruptive incident			
PR8	Failure to deliver sustainable reductions in the Trust's impact on climate change			
Committees/groups where this item has been presented before				
N/A				
Executive Summary				
<p>More to report. Mainly meeting with the Lead Governors from Doncaster and Bassetlaw FT and Notts Healthcare FT. Our initial aim was to have a joint project to work on but these plans have been overtaken by the plan for a conference for all Foundation Trust Governors led by the ICS. We have now been involved in drawing up an agenda and the event is on-line on 16th February, so over by the time you read this. Hopefully I can report back both a summary of the content and that we had good attendance and involvement from our governors.</p> <p>I have also had meetings with Healthwatch and we undertook a short survey for them in our MYG sessions about how people think they can access Mental Health services. I have quarterly meetings calendared now with them.</p> <p>The great concern at the moment is the coming election for governors – 7 to be elected in total. The biggest concern is Newark and getting residents interested in supporting their hospital by standing for election. There are currently only two Newark governors and 2 vacancies and both are in the last 2 of their 9 years. I understand that Comms. are planning for this but I would like to urge everyone to play their part in filling these vacancies. There are also local council elections in May so there could be quite a change around this table.</p> <p>Since the last Council of Governors, Nadia Whitworth has resigned as the Governor for the Volunteers because of all of the other events she supports. I must thank Nadia for what she did during her time as a governor, she really played a full role and will be missed. I do hope that another of our wonderful volunteers will be willing to take on the job!</p>				

SFHT has been on TV so many times in the last few weeks and it is so heartening for our staff to be recognised for the great work they do and the innovations they have made. We owe them all our thanks.