## **Chair's Report**

# Welcoming our new clinical Non-executive Director, Dr Sean King

Our new clinical Non-executive Director, Dr Sean King, has now been appointed. Sean is a retired GP with extensive experience of delivering improvements across the health economy.

### **Celebrating our volunteers - National Volunteers Week**

Earlier this month, National Volunteers Week gave us the chance to recognise and celebrate the volunteers who are a vital part of the Sherwood Forest Hospitals team.

Across the Trust, SFH volunteers, Newark Hospital League of Friends and the League of Hospital Friends for Sutton and Mansfield, along with many other groups that the Trust works with give up their time and energy to make a difference to us all – patients, visitors and staff at all our sites.

#### Chair to focus on role at SFH

I have announced to the board at University Hospitals of North Midlands that I will be stepping down as their Chair from August 3. I had been undertaking both roles on a two-days-a-week basis. As far as SFH is concerned, having made great strides forward as a trust, recently, I feel the time is right to fully focus on helping achieve our ambition to become truly outstanding.

# Formal thanks to departing Chief Executive Peter Herring

It is, of course, our Chief Executive Peter Herring's final board meeting after what can only be described as a truly remarkable period in the history of Sherwood Forest Hospitals. The Trust has come a long way in the 20 months since Peter arrived and I would like to formally thank him on behalf of the Governors and members.