

Public Board Meeting

Report

Subject: Chairman's Report
Date: Thursday 26th May 2016
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Executive Summary	
This report provides an update on progress, plans and regulatory developments.	
The Board are asked to note the content of this paper.	
Relevant Strategic Priorities (please mark in bold)	
Ensure the highest standards of safe care are consistently delivered by, and for, individuals, teams and departments	Ensure that patients experience the very best care, building on good practice and listening and learning from both negative and positive feedback and events
Provide timely access to diagnosis, treatment and care when people need it and safely reduce the time patients spend in hospital	Raise the level of staff engagement through strong leadership, communication, feedback and recognition
Reduce the scale of our financial deficit by reducing costs, improving utilisation of resources and productivity, and achieving best value for money	Work in partnership to keep people well in the community, and enable them to return as soon as they are ready to leave hospital
Develop and implement a programme of work in conjunction with Nottingham University Hospital NHST to create a new combined organisation	

How has organisational learning been disseminated	N/A
Links to the BAF	N/A
Financial Implications/Impact	N/A
Legal Implications/Impact	N/A
Partnership working & Public Engagement Implications/Impact	N/A
Committees/groups where this item has been presented before	N/A

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

NHSI Activity

As in previous months, the main interaction with NHSI has been focussed on the long term partnership.

The routine PRM scheduled for 13th May 2016 was postponed.

Long Term Partnership

Outline advice and guidance from NHSI regarding the preferred legal form of the combination between SFH and NUH has been received. This Board will consider the proposed legal form and the processes to go through in the private session of this meeting.

The NHSI Board meets today, 26th May, and ratification of the preferred legal form and any other conditions associated with the process is expected following that meeting.

The programme of weekly and monthly meetings associated with the merger process continues, and Sustaining Services Board was attended by myself and the Interim Chief Operating Officer.

The on the ground support and the relationships being developed feel very positive, and we should be encouraging these processes wherever possible.

Joint communications feel more balanced than in earlier days.

Governors

The Governor election process concluded on 28th April 2016. In total we now have 12 newly elected Governors.

These are: -

Staff Governors - Dilip Malkan and Eddie Olla

Mansfield - Debra Barlow, Keith Wallace and John Wood

Newark - Ian Holden and Ann Mackie

Ashfield - Jayne Leverton and Jackie Hewlett-Davies

Newark Volunteer - Ken Gibson

Derbyshire – Ray Holmes (starts on 1st August 2016)

Rest of East Midlands - Nick Walkland

We welcome our new Governors and say farewell and thank you to the following Governors: -

- **Colin Barnard**
- **Beryl Perrin**
- **Diane Wright**
- **Nicola Waller (leaves 1st August 2016)**
- **Nicola Juden**
- **Andy March**
- **Nigel Nice**
- **Alison Beal**
- **Annie Palmer**

We wish them well in the future. Each Governor is receiving a certificate of appreciation from the Trust.

A welcome and farewell session for Governors was held on 9th May 2016.

The process of establishing interest in serving on the Governor Sub Committees is underway.

Also, the Governors will need to elect a Lead Governor, and this is planned for the next Council of Governors meeting on 1st June 2016.

- A Governor / Non-Executive Director introductory session was held on 19th May with the aim of building relationships and discussing processes whereby Governors can hold Non-Executive Directors to account for the performance of the Trust.
- Also, we have made connections between the Non-Executive Directors and Governors, so that each Governor has a Non-Executive Director to 'go to' for advice and guidance.
- Further, it is intended to develop the Governor Sub Committees to a point where they are Governor / Non-Executive Director meetings with occasional input from Executives for expert knowledge.
- Hopefully these measures will go a long way in establishing fruitful and positive Non-Executive Director's / Governor relationships.
- The Council of Governors Remuneration and Nominations Committee met on 23rd May 2016 to consider a Non-Executive's position at the Trust.

The Council of Governors meeting on 1st June 2016 will consider the Committees recommendation.

- A routine internal meeting was held with the Newark Governors on 10th May 2016.
- The Board of Directors Remuneration and Nomination Committee met on 19th May 2016 to consider a leadership position in the Trust. The Council of Governors will be invited to ratify the recommendation at the 1st June 2016 meeting.

Membership & Engagement

Public Engagement Sessions were held at King's Mill Hospital and Newark Hospital on 4th and 5th May 2016 respectively. Although attendances were low (15 at each), the public had the chance to pose some important questions.

The Council of Governors Membership and Engagement Committee met on 11th May 2016.

Two emergency lifesaving training sessions were held at King's Mill at the end of April. Both sessions were fully booked, with additional members turning up on the evening. Feedback received was excellent. A further two sessions are scheduled to run over at Newark in mid-May.

Sean Lyons
Chairman