

# **Board of Directors Meeting in Public - Cover Sheet**

Subject:	Chair's Report			4 October 2019	
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Purpose					
To update on key events and information from the last month. Approval					
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	Update			Update	
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Strategic Objectives					
To provide	To promote and	To maximise the	To continuously		To achieve
outstanding	support health	potential of our	learn and		better value
care	and wellbeing	workforce	improve		
X	Х	X	X		Х
Overall Level of Assurance					
	Significant	Sufficient	Limited		None
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<b>Risks/Issues</b>					
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:

- SFH Annual General Meeting
- Annual long-servers' milestones event
- Staff Excellence Awards 2019
- Local NCS group help transform King's Mill Hospitals' community garden
- Long Service Awards
- Board Workshop on strategy
- National meetings on system working
- Latest Consultant Recruitment
- Visit to Trust Teams and External Meetings
- Membership summary



# Chair's Report – October 2019

# SFH Annual General Meeting

I would like to thank everyone that attended or contributed to our Annual General Meeting and Members meeting will take place on Monday 23 September at King's Mill Hospital. The meeting was an excellent opportunity to look back on the many successes of the 2018/19 financial year, as well as to reflect on some of the challenges that we have continued to face.

# Annual long-servers' milestones event

It was also my pleasure to attend our annual milestones event on Monday 23 September where we celebrated with amazing staff who have given 20, 25, 30, 35 and 40 years of dedicated service to Sherwood Forest Hospitals. We are hugely grateful for the continued commitment of everyone celebrated at the event, and everyone that has marked a milestone in the last 12 months.

## Staff Excellence Awards 2019

I was delighted to see that we had more than 500 nominations for colleagues and teams in this year's Staff Excellence Awards – at a time when we have been very busy it is great to see that so many people have taken the time out to recognise outstanding care and practice from their colleagues. The full list of nominations has now been published on our website, and judging has taken place with the full shortlist announced shortly. I now have the enviable task of choosing the Chair's Award for Excellence ahead of the awards ceremony on Friday 8 November.

# Local NCS group help transform King's Mill Hospitals' community garden

A local Mansfield NCS (National Citizen Service) group have been fundraising throughout summer for their local community garden at King's Mill Hospital.

The garden, which is located outside Clinic 10 at King's Mill Hospital, is used by members of staff as well as patients and visitors. It was in need of a makeover and it is hoped the recent transformation will encourage more patients, visitors and members of staff to visit the garden and enjoy the benefits of being close to nature.

In August the group raised more than £280 for the community garden project by taking part in a 5-hour 'dance-off'. All proceeds went to the garden and enabled the group to purchase plants, garden tools, a water butt and paint, which was all used to transform the garden.

The group then set out to work on the garden for a whole week from Monday 12 August. They started by digging the soil and removing any large stones and pebbles to give the new plants the best growing start. They then set out to plant vegetables, fruit trees, herbs and flowers in the garden followed by painting pots and planters and making some handmade decorations.

Vicky Tilbrook, Team Leader in the Discharge Team at King's Mill Hospital and mum of Sarah Tilbrook who was part of the NCS group, was with the group all week working on the garden come rain and shine. Vicky says: "I am incredibly proud of the NCS team for not only raising money for the garden, but using their own time during the week to completely transform the garden at King's



Mill Hospital. The NCS group have seen the benefit of their hard work and I know this is going to be a great space for our colleagues and also our patients and visitors to enjoy."

# **Latest Consultant Recruits**

We are pleased that our recruitment continues to perform well in a very competitive market. In the last month we have been delighted to welcome the following Consultants to Sherwood Forest Hospitals.

- Slawomir Bielak as Consultant in Cardiology
- Manas Dube as Locum Consultant Oncoplastic Breast Surgeon
- Osama Maskhut as Locum Consultant in Acute Medicine

## **Visits to Trust Teams and External Meetings**

I have attended a number of external meetings including:

- Accountability and the role of the integrate care system event
- Midlands Leaders event

Within the Trust I have been out and about to the following departments and meetings:

- Meeting with our Lead Governor
- Annual General Meeting
- Milestones in Service event
- 15 steps visit
- Council of Governors workshop
- Meeting with our new Director of People
- Board of Directors workshop

#### Membership summary

The Forum for Public Involvement group met on Monday 2 September, discussing our digital strategy amongst other things. Meet your governor sessions took place across all three sites again in September.

Number of public members: 15,540 Number of staff members: 6,070 Total members: 21,610