

Council of Governors - Chair's Highlight Report to the Board

Subject:	Council of Governors (CoG) Highlight Report	Date:	6 th March 2025
Prepared By:	Sally Brook Shanahan, Director of Corporate Affairs		
Approved By:	Graham Ward, Trust Chair		
Presented By:	Graham Ward, Trust Chair		
Purpose:	To provide assurance to the Board of Directors from the CoG meeting held on 11 th February 2025.		

Matters of Concern or Key Risks Escalated for Noting / Action	Major Actions Commissioned / Work Underway
The need for improved forward planning and notification to governors about plans for 15 Steps visits	A request to enable governors to hold Meet Your Governor sessions for 2 hours on any weekday. Governor Peter Gregory's offer to have a Choir Concert on 6 th July 2025 is being taken forward via the Community Involvement Team with support and the active participation of governors to raise funds for the Hospitals' Charity.
Positive Assurances to Provide	Decisions Made <i>(include BAF review outcomes)</i>
<p>Positive feedback contained in the Patient Story about the successful implementation of Martha's rule.</p> <p>Chief Executive's, Acting Chair's and Lead Governor's reports.</p> <p>Feedback from 15 Steps visits.</p> <p>Update on the Operational Plan 2025/26.</p> <p>External Audit Update.</p> <p>Quadrant reports received from the Audit and Assurance Committee, Quality Committee, Finance Committee, People Committee, Partnerships and Communities Committee and Charitable Funds Committee.</p> <p>Membership and Engagement Group feedback from the Lead Governor.</p> <p>An update on the site heritage and progress at the under-construction Community Diagnostic Centre in Mansfield.</p>	<p>On the recommendation of the Governor Remuneration and Nomination Committee the full CoG approved the appointment of Graham Ward as substantive Chair with immediate effect and to his re-appointment for a further and final term of one year to 25th May 2026.</p> <p>On the recommendation of the Governor Remuneration and Nomination Committee the full CoG approved the re-appointment of Andrew Rose-Britton as a Non-Executive Director for a term of one year to 30th April 2026.</p>

Comments on effectiveness of the meeting

A well-attended meeting with active participation and feedback from governors.

The CoG is indebted to Liz Barrett, Lead Governor, for facilitating the meeting to be held at the Sherwood Observatory and arranging for a post-meeting planetarium show. We also thank the learners and staff of ATTFE College for generously providing a buffet for the meeting attendees.

Items recommended for consideration by other Committees

None.