

## Board of Directors Meeting in Public - Cover Sheet

<b>Subject:</b>	Chair's report	<b>Date:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2023		
<b>Prepared By:</b>	Rich Brown, Head of Communications			
<b>Approved By:</b>	Claire Ward, Chair			
<b>Presented By:</b>	Claire Ward, Chair			
<b>Purpose</b>				
An update regarding some of the most noteworthy events and items over the past month from the Chair's perspective.			<b>Approval</b>	
			<b>Assurance</b>	X
			<b>Update</b>	X
			<b>Consider</b>	
<b>Strategic Objectives</b>				
<b>To provide outstanding care</b>	<b>To promote and support health and wellbeing</b>	<b>To maximise the potential of our workforce</b>	<b>To continuously learn and improve</b>	<b>To achieve better value</b>
X	X	X	X	X
<b>Identify which principal risk this report relates to:</b>				
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			
<b>Committees/groups where this item has been presented before</b>				
Not applicable				
<b>Executive Summary</b>				
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## **We are committed to working with our partners for the benefit of our local communities**

One key development I am proud to share from over recent weeks has been the strengthening of our commitment to working with our local partners – namely in signing an agreement with Vision West Nottinghamshire College that commits us to working more closely together for the benefit of our local communities.

That agreement strengthens the relationship we are already enjoying, including by supporting local learners into employment within the local NHS, creating opportunities for work experience and committing our Executive Team to take part in regular Q&As with learners to have their say on the running of their local hospitals.

I was delighted to attend the recent *Step into the NHS* recruitment event we hosted alongside the College that was attended by over 650 people. That was a vital first public demonstration of that commitment, with the event resulting in the Trust making a number of vital connections with local people who are considering pursuing a career in the NHS.

This is just one of the partnerships that demonstrates our role as an anchor institution within our local community and I look forward to that fruitful partnership continuing.



## **We are continuing to engage with our local communities, thanks to our governors**

During the week commencing Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, our governors gave their time to host eight ‘Meet Your Governor’ events to give our local communities the opportunity to feedback about their experience of coming into contact with our services.

I am grateful to our governors for hosting the five sessions at King’s Mill Hospital and three sessions at Newark Hospital during the week, which are an essential part of how we engage with our local communities.

Our local governors also hosted a dedicated stall at the *Step into the NHS* recruitment event at Vision West Nottinghamshire College, where I understand a number of new Trust members were registered. Governors also explained their role in the Trust and encouraged others to take interest in our governor elections later this year. Engagement with all of the communities we serve is vital

to ensuring that our membership represents all of the communities we serve to ensure as many voices can help shape the services we provide.

**Other engagements and visits over the past month include**

- Regular meetings with our governors and Lead Governor
- 15 Steps visit around maternity
- Visit to Newark to meet with staff
- Walkaround with Chief Executive of Nottinghamshire County Council
- Discussions with Non Executive Directors to consider the work taking place in committees
- Meeting with Mayor and Chief Executive of Mansfield District Council