

**Board of Directors Cover Sheet**

<b>Subject:</b>	Chairman Report	<b>Date:</b> 28 September 2017		
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<b>Presented By:</b>	John MacDonald, Chair			
<b>Purpose</b>				
To provide the Board of Directors with an update on developments at the Trust and within the local community.			<b>Decision</b>	
			<b>Approval</b>	
			<b>Assurance</b>	X
<b>Strategic Objectives</b>				
<b>To provide outstanding care to our patients</b>	<b>To support each other to do a great job</b>	<b>To inspire excellence</b>	<b>To get the most from our resources</b>	<b>To play a leading role in transforming health and care services</b>
X	X	X	X	X
<b>Overall Level of Assurance</b>				
	<b>Significant</b>	<b>Sufficient</b>	<b>Limited</b>	<b>None</b>
			X	
<b>Risks/Issues</b>				
<b>Financial</b>				
<b>Patient Impact</b>				
<b>Staff Impact</b>				
<b>Services</b>				
<b>Reputational</b>				
<b>Committees/groups where this item has been presented before</b>				
N/A				
<b>Executive Summary</b>				
<p>An update regarding some of the most noteworthy events and items over the past month from the Chair's perspective:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome to the new Governors</li> <li>• Membership Update</li> <li>• Newark Open Day</li> <li>• Organ Donation Campaign update</li> <li>• Bereavement Support Group</li> <li>• Staff Excellence Awards</li> </ul>				

## Chairman Report – September 2017

### Five new Governors announced

We have announced the results of our latest election for public and staff Governors.

The election was held over the summer to fill the five vacancies for public Governors in the Mansfield (x2), Ashfield (x2) and Derbyshire constituencies, and for one staff Governor to cover the King's Mill and Mansfield Community Hospital sites.

More than 1,100 votes were cast from Trust members across the constituencies and the following candidates have been elected:

- John Roughton, Public Governor for Mansfield
- Jane Stubbings, Public Governor for Ashfield
- Sue Holmes, Public Governor for Ashfield
- Andrew Berridge, Public Governor for Derbyshire
- Morgan Thanigasalam, Staff Governor for King's Mill and Mansfield Community Hospitals.

I am delighted to welcome our new Governors to the Trust and would like to thank all the candidates who put their name forward for this election.

I look forward to working with our newly appointed Governors, along with the rest of the Council of Governors, in ensuring that we continue to deliver the best care, service and wellbeing outcomes for each individual in the communities we serve.

Governors play an important role in holding the Trust accountable for the services it provides, as well as helping it deliver quality care to local communities. Governors also hold non-executive directors to account for the performance of the Board and represent the interests of Trust members and the public.

Governors are elected from the Trust's membership of over 17,000 and must live locally in Ashfield, Mansfield, Newark & Sherwood and Derbyshire.

If anyone is interested becoming a Trust member it can be done easily online at [www.sfh-tr.nhs.uk](http://www.sfh-tr.nhs.uk), by calling 01623 622515 ext 6911 or by emailing [membership.sherwoodforest@sfh-tr.nhs.uk](mailto:membership.sherwoodforest@sfh-tr.nhs.uk).

### Membership Update

A programme for membership engagement and activity has been developed for the rest of 2017.

Two staff governor events, one at King's Mill and one at Mansfield Community Hospital, will be held in September to promote healthy lifestyles to staff, with an event also taking place at Newark Hospital in October.

The Membership Officer will also be attending the Newark and Sherwood and Mansfield and Ashfield CCG AGMs with promotional material for the Trust.

Looking ahead to October, there are plans for a Stoptober campaign to be held across all three hospital sites as well as the Newark Hospital Open Day.

### **Newark Open Day**

Preparations are well underway for next month's Newark Hospital open day. It promises to be a fantastic community themed day with a wide range of activities and performance from the Fernwood Staff Choir. On top of this children can bring in their favourite teddy for a health check at the Bramley Children's Unit.

There will also be a chance to become a dementia friend, meet our staff and look behind the scenes in the Bramley Children's Unit, X-ray and CT scanner, Sconce Ward, Minster Day Case, Fernwood Community Unit, the Urgent Care Centre and Pre-Op.

The day is supported by the East Midlands Ambulance Service, Fire Service, Community Police and local health partners with free car parking and refreshments available.

It takes place on Saturday, October 14 between 10am and 2pm at Newark Hospital and all are welcome to attend. For more information, our Community Involvement Department can be contacted on 01636 685692 or [voluntaryservices.nwk@sfh-tr.nhs.uk](mailto:voluntaryservices.nwk@sfh-tr.nhs.uk)

### **Organ donation campaign hailed huge success**

More than 450 new registrations have been added to the organ donation register thanks to Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust's organ donation campaign, which was launched during national organ donation week earlier this month.

The new recruits signed up during a three-day drive by transplant patients, doctors, nurses and hospital staff at King's Mill Hospital.

Organisers were delighted with the response, signing up 164 more people than they did last year.

Sherwood Forest Hospitals' Clinical Lead for Organ Donation, Dr Sandeep Dhir, said: "It was a really inspiring three days speaking to transplant patients, patients, relatives and visitors. It was great to have donor recipients Bronwyn Jones and Debra Barlow with us to help highlight what a difference donating can make to people.

"Every new name on the register is vitally important and we are hoping for more names to be added from the Newark, Mansfield and Ashfield areas thanks to publicity surrounding our campaign."

Speakers during the campaign launch included double lung transplant patient Debra Barlow, from Mansfield Woodhouse, and heart transplant patient Bronwyn Jones, from Skegby.

Debra suffered severe lung damage in 2006 after contracting chicken pox pneumonia. She had to wait until 2015 for a transplant but is now on the road to recovery and is campaigning to drive up numbers on the donation register.

Bronwyn was hit by a virus in 2009 that caused heart failure. She had surgery a year later and within six months was back at work and spending time with her family.

People can sign up to the organ donor register online at <https://www.organdonation.nhs.uk/>

### **First support group meeting held for grieving parents at Mansfield Community Hospital**

Parents who have suffered the sad loss of a baby have been invited to come together at a new support group at Mansfield Community Hospital.

The group, which is being organised by Sherwood Forest Hospitals' Chaplaincy Service and Bereavement Midwife, Melanie Butcher, held its first meeting this month which offered a place for grieving parents to meet in a friendly and comfortable environment.

Sherwood Forest Hospitals' Chaplain, Reverend Edith Dawson, said: "We understand what a devastating time losing a baby can be for parents and we wanted to give them the opportunity to come together, in a friendly environment, and the chance to meet and talk to other parents who are going through a similar experience.

The support group is very relaxed and anybody who thinks they could benefit from the group is welcome to drop in and share a cup of tea and a chat – you don't have to stay for the full two hours.

### **Time running out to nominate your Sherwood Forest Hospitals hero**

Sherwood Forest Hospitals' patients and visitors only have until 5pm on Friday 29 September to nominate their hero member of staff or team for a special award.

The People's Award category in the Trust's annual Staff Excellence Awards celebrates those members of staff who go above and beyond to deliver outstanding care or service, from porters and cleaners, nurses and doctors, through to administration staff and managers.

Anyone can nominate in The People's Award category and nominations can be made for whole departments, ward teams, an individual member of staff or support team members who work at King's Mill Hospital, Newark Hospital or Mansfield Community Hospital.

Opening up a special award to nominations from the public is a fantastic way for patients and families to show their appreciation for our dedicated staff, who very often go above and beyond to deliver outstanding care and make a visit to hospital a little bit easier.

We are very proud of the hard work and commitment that is shown by all of our staff, whatever their role, and the awards are a great opportunity to recognise this and to thank staff for the work that they do.

Nominations can be made via an online form on the Sherwood Forest Hospitals [website](#) or posted to Communications Team, Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, Trust HQ, King's Mill Hospital, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 4JL.

Registered Nurse, Susan Lloyd, who won last year's The People's Award, thinks it's important that patients who have had a good experience at one of the hospitals nominates the staff involved. She said: "I felt very honoured to be nominated by our patients to win an award – it was an overwhelming achievement. Being recognised for the care I had delivered filled me with a great deal of pride and made me realise that you do make a difference to people's experience of healthcare.

"Being recognised by a patient for my work has not only made me feel privileged, but the positive feeling has also transferred to the team, making us all feel valued and recognised."

Nominations close on Friday 29 September 2017 at 5pm and the winner, along with the winners in other categories nominated for by staff, will be revealed at a prestigious ceremony on the evening of Friday 10 November 2017.