

# Board of Directors Meeting

**Subject:** Chief Executive's Report  
**Date:** Thursday 28 May 2015  
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| <b>Executive Summary</b>   |   |
| This report provides an update on issues and activities during May 2015.   |   |
| <b>Recommendation</b>  |   |
| The Board is asked to note the content of this paper and specifically where verbal updates will be given at the Board meeting. |   |
| <b>Relevant Strategic Priorities (please mark in bold)</b>   |   |
| <b>To consistently deliver a high quality patient experience safely and effectively</b>  | <b>To develop extended clinical networks that benefit the patients we serve</b>             |
| <b>To eliminate the variability of access to and outcomes from our acute services</b>  | <b>To provide efficient and cost-effective services and deliver better value healthcare</b> |
| <b>To reduce demand on hospital services and deliver care closer to home</b>   |   |

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| <b>Links to the BAF and Corporate Risk Register</b>   |     |
| <b>Details of additional risks associated with this paper</b> <i>(may include CQC Essential Standards, NHSLA, NHS Constitution)</i> | N/A |
| <b>Links to NHS Constitution</b>  | N/A |
| <b>Financial Implications/Impact</b>  | N/A |
| <b>Legal Implications/Impact</b>  | N/A |
| <b>Partnership working &amp; Public Engagement Implications/Impact</b>  |     |
| <b>Committees/groups where this item has been presented before</b>  | N/A |
| <b>Monitoring and Review</b>  | N/A |
| <b>Is a QIA required/been completed? If yes provide brief details</b>   | N/A |

## Chief Executive Report – May 2015

### 1. Launch of the Organ Donation Campaign

The week of 18 May saw our hospitals take part in the National Organ Donation Campaign with events across the week at Newark and at King's Mill to spread the word about the importance of organ donation and encourage visitors and staff to sign up as donors. We also promoted the campaign via our digital and social media channels, with local media attending the events to ensure even greater publicity for this important national campaign. The week was a great success with over 150 people signing up to become organ donors. The week closed with Gloria De Piero, MP for Ashfield announcing the winner of our organ donation poster campaign.

### 2. Nurse of the Year Awards 2015

We recently organised our second Nurse of the Year Awards. This year saw an amazing number of entries - 131, compared with 78 when we held the inaugural event in 2013. It is fantastic news that at a time when we know that our staff are feeling under increasing pressure they took time out of their busy days to recognise their colleagues.

There were various categories including nurse of the year, nursing team of the year and this year and for future years we have added awards to celebrate healthcare assistants, plus a Director of Nursing Award and a Lifetime Achievement Award. More than 150 people attended the event, which included a key note speaker, Andy Whittaker who talked about The Art of Brilliance. There was also the now infamous Great Sherwood Bake Off - a chance for staff to show off their baking skills. The well-deserved winner for the second time was Sue Stringer, Head and Neck Cancer Nurse Specialist. The full list of winners has been publicised widely through local media and our own website and social media channels.

### 3. Sherwood Forest Celebrate Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Week on 12th May 2015

The Trust celebrated Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Week with a stall in the Kings Treatment Centre, raising awareness of the Trust's Diversity and Inclusivity activities and consulting on the Equality Delivery System2 (EDS2). At the event Nottinghamshire Police publicised the International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia (IDAHOBiT) on 17 May and their Hate Crime campaign, to encourage people to report hate crime.

Over 100 Rainbow flags were raised during Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Week 11<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> May 2015 at locations across the county, including all district and borough council offices, both universities and a number of businesses, schools, colleges and hospitals. I raised the rainbow flag at the Kings Mill Hospital site in partnership with Richard Townsley, Chair of the Nottinghamshire IDAHOBiT group and Trade Unions representatives. Richard Townsley said: "Nottinghamshire has taken a stand against discrimination. All across Nottinghamshire and Nottingham the rainbow flag will be flying high and proud thanks to the work of our local LGBT community and the support of so many organisations."

### 4. CQC Preparedness

Activities are progressing well as we move towards our CQC inspection w/c 15 June 2015. Staff focus groups are taking place across the Trust and Divisional/professional CQC preparation sessions have been completed and were well received. A clinical senate has been scheduled for 5 June and regular communications to staff and visual highlights have been placed across the Trust.

## 5. Mansfield & Ashfield Older Peoples Consultation Group Meeting

I received an invitation to attend a meeting of the Mansfield & Ashfield Older Peoples Consultation Group (OPCG) on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May by Annette Harpham, the Chair.

The OPCG has been running for 11 years and is chaired and facilitated by Mansfield CVS. This group brings together individual older people, representatives of groups concerned with the independence, well-being and support of older people and those working for statutory bodies such as County and District councils and the Clinical Commissioning Group with particular responsibilities regarding older people. The group has a membership of 60+ individuals with 15 – 20 regular attendees at each bi-monthly meeting.

We had a positive discussions in relation to current challenges and future priorities of the Trust, specifically focusing on why were still in special measures. .

## 6. Staff Engagement Sessions

A series of staff engagement events have been arranged in order to give executive colleagues and myself the opportunity to be able to talk to staff on a weekly basis and respond to any questions. The first session on Friday, 29 May will be an opportunity for me to feed back to staff about the listening week events which took place across the organisation at the end of April.

The staff engagement sessions will take the form of two 30 minute sessions, with an identical short presentation at the start of each, followed by questions and answers.

All sessions will be held in Lecture Theatre 1 at King's Mill Hospital with a video link to Newark Boardroom.

## 7. Partnership Meeting with NUH

Myself and other executive colleagues attended the first Partnership Meeting with Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust on Wednesday 6 May. This meeting took place to explore opportunities for partnership working following the agreement of the Memorandum of Understanding at a previous Board meeting. The board will receive a more detailed report on potential partnership opportunities in due course.

## 8. Star of the Month

**Star of the month award April Winner: Paul Holt, Audio Visual Technical Support Officer**  
*Nominated by Jo Lincoln – Infant Feeding Coordinator*

I would like to nominate Paul Holt – Audio Visual Technical Support Officer for 'Star of the month'. I am a midwife and a practical person but part of my role is to give presentations. Paul is consistently calm, cool and collected. As I panic unable to get the volume to work or my film to play Paul saves the day – never a grumble or a moan.

I know I am not the only person that needs help as many colleagues sing his praises. He helps organise our PowerPoint so that clips and video links reliably play. Only this week I was very excited by a new educational film I had to improve practice at the trust. Unfortunately it was in a format that was not compatible with our system. Paul without fuss has remedied this and we can start our next new project. Without him we would not be able to go ahead as I don't know anyone else at SFH that has these skills.

So although Paul is not directly involved in patient care he is really making a difference with the skills he has – combined with his very approachable manner.

Big up Paul Holt!!!

**Karen Fisher**  
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