

SHEFFIELD TEACHING HOSPITALS NHS FOUNDATION TRUST



CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – 18 SEPTEMBER 2013

1. CARE QUALITY COMMISSION INSPECTION

A routine unannounced inspection by the Care Quality Commission began on Monday 9 September 2013 and will continue over the next two weeks across a range of services provided by the Trust. The initial feedback on the outcome of the visit will be provided to the Trust w/c 23 September 2013.

2. YORKSHIRE AND HUMBER ACADEMIC HEALTH SCIENCE NETWORK

Following submission of the AHSN business plan, inclusive of the matrix of metrics, the Trust has received confirmation that these plans have been approved and that licensing of the AHSN can proceed on the basis of the business plan and proposed measures. The Trust will now shortly receive the following:

- The AHSN 5 year licence.
- The proposed NHS England contract that will apply to the licence.
- Any additional addendum bespoke to Yorkshire and the Humber AHSN.

The next step is for the AHSN to consider and agree the contract through our governance mechanisms which will be those of Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust as initially the Trust will host the AHSN.

3. SHEFFIELD EXECUTIVE BOARD

Building on Sheffield's community budget programme, Sheffield is now the first city in the new national public service transformation network. Membership of this network provides Sheffield with direct access to Ministers and key civil servants as well as national resources and expertise. Sheffield will focus on health and social care transformation, and opportunities for youth as key themes. This is a significant achievement for the city, demonstrating the real commitment and progress towards public service innovation and transformation across the organisations. The Sheffield Executive Board will be the leadership group for this work.

The Sheffield Executive Board has agreed to act as a city leadership group for supporting implementation of the Sheffield Fairness Commission recommendations. The SEB itself is taking a leadership role in developing proposals around financial inclusion to assist in engagement and has established a working group focussed on developing the Sheffield campaign for fairness.

The SEB is continuing to work looking at how to measure progress on fairness across the city effectively and an update on progress will be included in the next State of Sheffield report. Sharon Squires recently took part in a presentation on the work of the Fairness Commission to an international audience at the University of Sheffield.

4. NATIONAL CANCER PATIENT EXPERIENCE SURVEY

A comprehensive review of NHS cancer care by the Department of Health has found patients at Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust receive excellent care. The 2013 National Cancer Patient Experience Survey, published this month, showed Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust to be rated within the top 20% of Trusts in various areas, including:

- Staff always treating patients with respect and dignity
- Staff doing everything they could to control pain

- Staff giving complete explanations of what would be done

91% of patients rated their overall care as 'excellent' or 'very good', this is higher than the national average of 88%. The Trust did not score in the lowest 20% of Trusts for any of the questions in the survey, which was designed to monitor national progress on cancer care and to provide information that could be used to drive local quality improvements.

5. **FUTURE HOSPITALS COMMISSION**

The Trust has featured prominently in the national and local media for important service re-design work which has resulted in improved care for frail older patients. A commission set up by the Royal College of Physicians (RCP) called the Future Hospitals Commission has made a number of national recommendations about how care should be delivered in coming years. The recommendations are based on existing good practice seen at Trusts including Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

6. **ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING**

The Trust held its Annual Members' Meeting on 10 September 2013 to share with members and the public the organisation's progress over the last year and plans for the future. Over 130 people attended the meeting and a good question and answer session followed presentations from the Chief Executive, Finance Director and Lead Governor. Afterwards guests were given a tour of the new state-of-the-art £10 million laboratories complex at the Northern General Hospital.

7. **CONCLUSION**

The Board is requested to **NOTE** the contents of this report.

Sir Andrew Cash
Chief Executive
11 September 2013