

Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Chair's Briefing Report – July 2023 Board of Directors

I am pleased to share with you, my Chair's Board Briefing Report for June and July 2023. Below, I have highlighted some of my key engagements since my last report.

Partner and System Engagement

- Meetings I have attended include:
 - South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board Chairs' quarterly meeting chaired by Pearse Butler, Chair, South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board.
 - Sheffield Place Chairs' formal and informal monthly meetings.
 - The Yorkshire and Humber Chairs' quarterly meeting with regional colleagues. Updates on key issues were given by Richard Barker, NHSE Regional Director and Julian Hartley, Chief Executive, NHS Providers.
 - NHS Providers Chairs' and Chief Executives' Network, held virtually, which featured a presentation from Luisa Stewart, Director of Policy for Mental Health, Learning Disability and Autism (MHLDA) and Carl Shaw, Learning Disability and Autism Adviser from NHS England on tackling significant health inequalities for people with a learning disability and autistic people and an update from Ian Trenholm, Chief Executive of Care Quality Commission, on the organisation's developing approach to inspection, rating and regulation.
 - Invited to the Olympic Legacy Action Event, which involved a tour of the venues and facilities at the Sheffield Olympic Legacy Park and the Sheffield Hallam University Advanced Wellbeing Research Centre.
- The Director of Strategy and Planning (deputising for the Chief Executive) and I attended the South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Acute Federation Board Meeting.
- Individually, I met with Mike Moore, Chair, Cambridge University Hospitals and Martin Temple, Chair and Pro-Chancellor of The University of Sheffield and Non-Executive Director at The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust.

Trust Engagement

- Supported by the Chief Executive:
 - I delivered the monthly Governors' Board Briefing following the Board of Directors held in June 2023.
- As Chair of the Council of Governors I participated in the:
 - Quarterly Governor Representative discussions.
 - Council of Governors' meeting followed by an informal session between Non-Executive Directors (NED) and Governors.
 - Council of Governors' Nomination and Remuneration Committee to longlist and shortlist for the NED vacancy and individual telephone calls with the longlisted candidates.
- Individually, I had introductory meetings with:
 - Beth Crackle, newly appointed Chief Executive of Sheffield Hospital Charity.
- As Chair of the Trust, I am invited each week to welcome and present at the Corporate Induction for new starters, which I have attended each Monday. Tony Buckham, Non-Executive Director deputised for me on the 5 June 2023, due to my annual leave.
- I participated in the recruitment panel for a Consultant Urology Surgeon with special interest in complex renal surgery.

As part of the annual appraisal process, I undertook the appraisal of the Chief Executive.

Led by Council of Governor colleagues on the 13 July 2023, we interviewed for our Non-Executive Director vacancy. Four excellent candidates were interviewed and the panel unanimously supported the preferred candidate. An offer of appointment has been made subject to pre-employment checks, the individual will commence in post from the 1 September 2023.

Governor elections are scheduled to take place from 24 August 2023 with declarations of results on the 20 October 2023. The new term of office for newly-elected and re-elected governors will commence on 1 November 2023.

Information about how to register interests and details of the online nomination process will be available from 24 August 2023 from the Foundation Trust Office on 0114 271 4322; email: jane.pellegrina1@nhs.net and on-line at www.cesvotes.com/STH2023

Members wishing to stand for Election will be invited to attend a virtual information session via Microsoft Teams on 30 August 2023 prior to submission of their nomination form.

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Chair
25 July 2023