

Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Chair's Briefing Report – September 2024

Board of Directors

Please see below, my Chair's Board Briefing Report for August and September 2024, I have highlighted some of my key engagements since my last report.

Partner and System Engagement

- Meetings I have attended include:
 - Sheffield Place Chairs' formal and informal monthly meetings.
 - South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) Trust Chairs' meeting hosted by Pearse Butler, Chair and Gavin Boyle, Chief Executive.
 - NHS Providers Chair and Chief Executive Network – which included an update on strategic policy issues and developments, presented by Sir Julian Hartley, Chief Executive and Isabel Lawicka, Director of Policy and Strategy from NHS Providers; A presentation with Q&A from Sally Warren, Department of Health and Social Care who is leading the development of a new ten-year health plan; an update from Dr Penny Dash, Chair, North West London Integrated Care Board from her ongoing review of the Care Quality Commission before concluding with a panel session on the role of NHS Trusts as anchor institutions with panel members from University College London, Universities UK, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust and Warrington and Halton Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.
 - Olympic Legacy Park, Vision Workshop - this workshop is designed as the first step to planning how the Park can continue to develop a national and global reputation and deliver significant local and regional impact.
- The Board of Directors, met with Board of Directors from The University of Sheffield and Sheffield Hallam University to explore ways of developing our collaborative aspirations for research, innovation and workforce development. This was a positive meeting and I look forward to working with university colleagues to develop our offer for patients and the city as a whole.
- The Chief Executive and Tony Buckham, who was deputising for me, attended the South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Acute Federation Board.

Trust Engagement

- Supported by David Black, Chief Medical Officer (Developments) who was deputising for the Chief Executive, and I delivered the Governors' Board Briefing following the Board of Directors held in July.
- As Chair of the Council of Governors I participated in the Quarterly Governor Representative discussions.
- 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.
- Finally, as part of the Out and About programme, I visited:
 - the Decontamination Unit at Royal Hallamshire Hospital, accompanied by Jennifer Hill, Chief Medical Officer (Operations) and Marion Billingham, Governor
 - the Quality/Safeguarding Team (Central Nursing) based at Northern General Hospital accompanied by David Black, Chief Medical Officer (Developments) and Gordon Wordsworth and Harold Sharpe, Governors.

Tony Buckham, Non-Executive Director

On behalf of the Trust, we would like to thank Tony Buckham and extend our very best wishes for the future as his nine-year term of office comes to an end as Non-Executive Director and more recently Senior Independent Director and Vice Chair, with effect from 30 September 2024. We are extremely thankful for his contributions to the work of the Board of Directors and the wider organisation.

An appointment process for Tony's Non-Executive Director replacement commenced in July, with a virtual drop- in session and following an in-depth appointment process the interviews were held on the 12 September 2024. The recommendation to appoint the preferred candidate will be taken to Council of Governors on the 26 September 2024.

Senior Independent Director / Vice Chair

The appointment process for Tony's replacement as Senior Independent Director / Vice Chair has taken place. Expressions of interest were submitted, and I am pleased to announce that the proposed candidate was recommended to the Council of Governors in June, who approved the appointment. Congratulations to Ros Roughton who will take up the role from 1 October 2024.

Governor Elections

Governor elections took place on the 30 May 2024 and the results of the newly elected and re-elected governors, are as follow and their new term of office commenced on the 1 July 2024.

Patient Constituency	Michelle Cook – Re-elected unopposed Chris Sterry – Elected unopposed Paul Williams – Elected unopposed
Public Constituency Outside Sheffield	No valid nominations were received so one vacancy remains
Public Constituency Sheffield Southeast	Mark Dixey – Elected unopposed Janet Jenkinson – Elected unopposed
Public Constituency Sheffield West	Sajith Pillai – Elected unopposed
Public Constituency Sheffield Southwest	Joe Saverimoutou - Re-elected unopposed
Staff Constituencies Nursing and Midwifery	Janice Byrne - Elected unopposed
Staff Constituencies Allied Health Professionals, Scientists and Technicians	Esther Buckland - Elected unopposed

Annette Laban
Chair
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