

Council of Governors – Terms of Office
Council of Governors meeting
23 January 2018

1. Background

At the point of NHS Foundation Trust authorisation the Council of Governors composition stood at 41 members, allowing only a head space of 1 person between public and non-public (staff and appointed partners) governors. The Constitution states that in all cases relating to the Council of Governors the elected public governors must be in the majority. During 2015 the Trust had several public governors stand down from their positions due to a variety of different reasons which ultimately meant the public governors were no longer a majority. In reaction to this the Trust carried out an election to fill these vacancies to ensure that it complied with the guidance in the constitution. In addition to this, the Council of Governors and the Board of Director approved to reduce the composition of the Council to 37 members, removing 4 partner governors. This meant the head space between public and non-public governors increased to 5 persons allowing more flexibility if any public governors should need to stand down.

2. Current position

PUBLIC GOVERNORS

Nottingham City Constituency

| Governor | Term | Start Date | End Date | Meetings Attended |
|-----------------|---------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Julie Jackson | 3 years | 1 March 2015 | 28 February 2018 | |
| Bettina Wallace | 3 years | 1 March 2017 | 28 February 2020 | |
| Jenny Britten | 3 years | 1 March 2017 | 28 February 2020 | |
| Vacancy | 3 years | 1 March 2017 | 28 February 2020 | |
| David Cracknell | 2 years | 1 March 2015 | 28 February 2019 | |
| Jane Stevenson | 2 years | 1 March 2015 | 28 February 2019 | |

Nottinghamshire County Constituency

| Governor | Term | Start Date | End Date | Meetings Attended |
|---------------|---------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Steve How | 3 years | 1 March 2015 | 28 February 2018 | |
| Carol Burkitt | 3 years | 1 March 2015 | 28 February 2018 | |
| Anita Astle | 3 years | 1 March 2015 | 28 February 2018 | |

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|-----------------|---------|----------------|------------------|--|
| Derek Brown | 3 years | 1 January 2016 | 31 December 2018 | |
| Vacancy* | 3 years | 1 January 2016 | 31 December 2018 | |
| Mike Holmes | 3 years | 1 January 2016 | 31 December 2018 | |
| Maxine Robinson | 3 years | 1 January 2016 | 31 December 2018 | |
| Linda Bennett | 3 years | 1 March 2017 | 28 February 2020 | |
| John Collins | 3 years | 1 March 2017 | 28 February 2020 | |
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| John Ferris | 2 years | 1 March 2017 | 28 February 2019 | |
| Paul Radin | 2 years | 1 March 2017 | 28 February 2019 | |

South Yorkshire and the rest of the East Midlands

| Governor | Term | Start Date | End Date | Meetings Attended |
|---------------|---------|----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Judith Walker | 3 years | 1 March 2015 | 28 February 2018 | |
| Vacancy* | 3 years | 1 January 2016 | 31 December 2018 | |

The rest of England and Wales

| Governor | Term | Starts Date | End Date | Meetings Attended |
|---------------|---------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Sheena Foster | 3 years | 1 March 2015 | 28 February 2018 | |
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| George Ross | 3 years | 8 June 2017 | 7 June 2020 | |

STAFF GOVERNORS

Nursing Constituency

| Governor | Term | Start Date | End Date | Meetings Attended |
|--------------|---------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Craig Goffin | 3 years | 1 March 2017 | 28 February 2020 | |
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| Steven Kerry | 2 years | 1 March 2017 | 28 February 2019 | |

Allied health Professionals

| Governor | Term | Start Date | End Date | Meetings Attended |
|---------------|---------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Mike Marriott | 3 years | 1 March 2017 | 28 February 2020 | |
| Sue Baker | 3 years | 24 May 2017 | 23 May 2020 | |

Clinical Support

| Governor | Term | Start Date | End Date | Meetings Attended |
|----------------|---------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Corrine Hendy | 3 years | 1 March 2017 | 28 February 2020 | |
| David McCallin | 2 years | 1 March 2017 | 28 February 2019 | |

Medical

| Governor | Term | Start Date | End Date | Meetings Attended |
|--------------|---------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Stuart Leask | 3 years | 1 March 2017 | 28 February 2020 | |

Non-Clinical Support

| Governor | Term | Start Date | End Date | Meetings Attended |
|----------------|---------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Tony Bradstock | 3 years | 1 March 2015 | 28 February 2018 | |

*These vacancies have been filled in the current election process.

3. Proposal

It is proposed the three governors highlighted in yellow have their terms of office extended to 28 February 2019 to bring the election cycle into an annual process. As it stands at present, the Trust would potentially need to hold an election twice in 2018 to fill the vacancies based on their terms of office identified above. The financial and capacity cost to the Trust for each election is significant and where possible it should be avoided to carry out more elections than is absolutely necessary.

The steering group supported this proposal.

The Council of Governors are asked to support this proposal