

Report to:	Public Board of Directors	Agenda item:	20
Date of Meeting:	25 April 2018		

Title of Report:	Chief Executive's Report
Status:	For Information
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Appendices	None

1. Executive Summary of the Report
The purpose of the Chief Executive's Report is to highlight key developments within the Trust which have taken place since the last Board meeting.

2. Recommendations (Note, Approve, Discuss)
The Board is asked to note the report.

3. Legal / Regulatory Implications
Not applicable

4. Risk (Threats or opportunities, link to a risk on the Risk Register, Board Assurance Framework etc)
Strategic and environmental risks are considered by the Board on a regular basis and key items are reported through this report.

5. Resources Implications (Financial / staffing)
Not applicable

6. Equality and Diversity
Not applicable

7. References to previous reports
The Chief Executive submits a report to every Board of Directors meeting.

8. Freedom of Information
Public

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

1.1 End #PJparalysis 70 Day Challenge

The Trust is taking part in the national #EndPJparalysis 70 Day Challenge, where the aim is for one million hospital patients to be dressed and moving. A pledge event ahead of the start of the challenge was a huge success, with colleagues from many different roles and specialities actively engaged and pledging their support. A number of wards have already signed up to submit their daily figures to add to the national total. Research shows that being dressed and active each day helps to prevent muscle wastage and allows patients to retain their independence and identity, enabling them to leave hospital sooner, in line with our discharge philosophy of always thinking Home First.

1.2 Dedication of new Spiritual Care Centre

People of all faiths and none gathered at the Trust on 12th April 2018 for the Dedication of our new Spiritual Care Centre – a space for reflection and prayer. The ceremony was conducted by The Rt Rev Ruth Worsley, Bishop of Taunton before an audience of guests including the Mayor of Bath, Cllr Ian Gilchrist. Members of the Christian, Buddhist, Hindu, Jewish, Muslim, Baha'i and Sikh communities presented scriptures and symbols to represent each faith. The new building, which was designed in conjunction with members of different faiths, is part of the Trust's 'Fit for the Future' development plan to transform the site and further improve services for patients. The Centre includes a peaceful courtyard garden with planting, seating and sculpture.

1.3 NHS 70

The NHS celebrates its 70th anniversary in July and to mark it we've been talking to some former staff who were there at the very beginning. In 1948, Edith Kenney from Somerset shared her experience of being one of the student nurses to join the fledgling NHS at the new RUH. There has been a great response from colleagues and members of the public wanting to share their own photos, memories, publications and artefacts including a collection of RUH nursing medals bequeathed to the hospital. We'll be gathering more memories leading up to the anniversary day - and looking ahead at what the future holds for our NHS.

1.4 Mayor of Bath Thank You to Volunteers

A group of our Friends of the RUH volunteers were invited to a reception at the Guildhall, hosted by the Mayor of Bath on 5th April 2018, as a civic thank you in recognition of all the work they do at the RUH.

1.5 Update on RUH Membership

As at 18th April 2018, 11,806 Public Members have signed up to support the RUH NHS Foundation Trust. Together with Staff Members we now have 17,395 Members. We are always actively seeking new Members to help us shape the future of the hospital and as a Member of the Trust you can influence many aspects of the healthcare we provide.

By becoming a Member, our staff, patients and local community are given the opportunity to influence how the hospital is run and the services that it provides. Membership is completely free and offers three different levels of involvement. Through the Council of Governors, Members are given a greater say in the development of the hospital and can have a direct influence in the development of services.

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1.6 Constituency Meeting

The North East Somerset Governors will be hosting their first constituency meeting of the year on 15th May 2018 at 5pm in Midsomer Norton Town Hall. This meeting will include an update from a member of our Executive Team on progress at the RUH. The main focus of the evening will be Healthy Mind. Professor Julian Hughes, RICE Professor of Old Age Psychiatry and Stakeholder Governor, will talk about the benefits of a healthy lifestyle for the mind.

1.7 Caring for You

Our most recent Caring for You event took place on 21st March 2018 and focused on Age Related Macular Degeneration; the session was well attended and extremely well received. Attendees learnt about new tests and therapies for Age Related Macular Degeneration at the Trust.

Our next Caring for You event will focus on 21st Century Lifestyle and will take place on 24th May 2018 at 6pm at the RUH. During this special evening, attendees will learn more about the Diabetes Care service at the hospital. Places must be booked so please contact the Membership office on 01225 821262 or via email at RUHmembership@nhs.net

1.8 Trust Seal

The Trust Seal was used on the 16th April 2018 for two sub-contractor collateral warranty agreements relating to the extension and refurbishment of the Radiology Department; for Crendon Timber Engineering Ltd and Wardray Premise Ltd.

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