



# Royal United Hospitals Bath

## NHS Foundation Trust

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## Media Release

### Voting starts in new RUH Trust Public Governor elections

Voting has begun to elect four new Public Governors to the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust to help shape its services and plan for the future.

Voting packs have been sent out to all eligible public members – with the message to make your vote count before the ballot closes on 24 October.

The vacancies, created by the current Governors coming to the end of their term of office, are in the City of Bath, North East Somerset, Mendip, and North Wiltshire.

Brian Stables, Trust Chairman said:

"These are exciting and changing times for the RUH and some really great candidates have put themselves forward for election. Becoming a Governor is a great opportunity to contribute to the development of the RUH and its role in our local communities that it serves."

"If you are already one of our members and live in the constituencies listed above I would really encourage you all to use this opportunity to vote for the candidate who will best represent your views."

If you are a member and have not received your ballot pack as yet, please contact the Electoral Reform Services on 020 8889 9203.

You can find more information about the election and a list of candidates on the Trust website [http://www.ruh.nhs.uk/membership/elections/index.asp?menu\\_id=1](http://www.ruh.nhs.uk/membership/elections/index.asp?menu_id=1)

Voting began on 4 October and runs until 5pm on 24 October. The results will be announced on 25 October.

**Ends**

Chairman:  
Brian Stables

Chief Executive:  
James Scott



## Notes to Editor:

- The Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust provides acute treatment and care for a catchment population of around 500,000 people in Bath, and the surrounding towns and villages in North East Somerset and Western Wiltshire. The hospital provides healthcare to the population served by four Clinical Commissioning Groups: Bath & North East Somerset CCG, Wiltshire CCG, Somerset CCG and South Gloucestershire CCG.
- The Trust provides 565 beds and a comprehensive range of acute services including medicine and surgery, services for women and children, accident and emergency services, and diagnostic and clinical support services.
- In 2015 The Royal United Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust was acquired the Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases (RNHRD) NHS Foundation Trust. The RNHRD treats patients from across the country offering services in rheumatology, chronic pain and chronic fatigue syndrome/ME. ...
- The RUH is changing - we have an exciting programme of redevelopment underway transforming our site and further improving the services we provide. The Trust is now working towards building a purpose built RNHRD and Therapies Centre and a new Dyson Cancer Centre. For more details visit: [www.ruh.nhs.uk/about/fit\\_for\\_the\\_future](http://www.ruh.nhs.uk/about/fit_for_the_future)
- For more information about the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust visit: [www.ruh.nhs.uk](http://www.ruh.nhs.uk)

