

Report to:	Council of Governors	Agenda item:	7
Date of Meeting:	5 December 2018		

Title of Report:	Confirmation of the Lead Governor Appointment
Status:	For Noting
Board Sponsor:	Brian Stables, Chairman
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Appendices	None

1. Purpose
To confirm the appointment of the Lead Governor

2. Recommendations (Note, Approve, Discuss etc)
The Council of Governors is asked to note the report

3. Legal / Regulatory Implications (NHSLA / Value for Money Conclusion etc)
NHS Improvement's Code of Governance requires each NHS Foundation Trust to appoint or elect a Governor as Lead Governor.

4. Risk (Threats or opportunities link to risk on register etc)
Failure to have a Lead Governor in post would put the Trust in breach of the Code of Governance.

5. Resources Implications (Financial / staffing)
None

6. Equality and Diversity
All Governors were entitled to self-nominate as a candidate for the Lead Governor post.

7. References to previous reports
7.0 - Nominating a Lead Governor, September 2018 report to Council of Governors.

8. Freedom of Information
Public

Background

At its Council of Governor meeting held in June 2018, all Governors were asked to consider if they wished to put themselves forward for the role of Lead Governor and submit any expressions of interest and supporting statements to the Membership Office by Friday 3rd August 2018.

Two Governors (James Colquhoun, Public Governor- South Wiltshire and Chris Callow, Public Governor, - North Wiltshire) put themselves forward for the role and provided a short statement setting out what they would bring to the role.

On 23rd October 2018 all Governors were invited via survey monkey to read James' and Chris' statement and asked to endorse James or Chris as their next Lead Governor.

In total, 17 of a possible 18 eligible votes were cast, with James Colquhoun receiving a majority of votes. On 23rd November 2018 an email was sent to all Governors confirming James' appointment.

At its meeting on 2nd December 2015, the Council of Governors approved that Lead Governors would be appointed for a two year term. As a result, James's term as Lead Governor will commence from 1st December 2018 end on 30th November 2020.

The process to appoint the next Lead Governor will begin following the June 2020 Council of Governors meeting.

Recommendations

The Council of Governors is asked to note the appointment of James Colquhoun as Lead Governor, and thank Chris Callow for his work as outgoing Lead Governor.

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