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Media Release

RUH appoints new Non-Executive Director

A new Non-Executive Director has been appointed to the Board of the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust (RUH).

Nigel Stevens replaces out-going Non-Executive Director Moira Brennan who is leaving after 10 years with the RUH.

Nigel, a father of three teenage boys, has lived near Bath for more than 15 years, having been posted to the MOD Enleigh base in Lansdown in 2001. His career has spanned both the military and private sectors with a background in logistics, procurement and customer service. Until recently he was Chief Executive Officer of a major public transport business in the UK and Ireland and as such brings extensive senior management and Board experience to the RUH Board.

Previously he served for 18 years as a senior logistics officer in the Royal Air Force, based in a variety of locations in the UK and overseas. He was involved in roles as diverse as management of the 'military airport' at RAF Brize Norton, running the RAF's specialist heavy transport vehicle fleet, and senior headquarters appointments in operations, logistics and procurement. He completed a number of operational tours including deployments to Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Kosovo.

In Bath he's a governor at Beechen Cliff School, and interests include political history, offshore sailing, current affairs and Bath rugby.

Nigel said: "With my background and experience I hope I have a great deal to offer the Trust. I'm a huge fan of the RUH, which I believe is a pivotal and valued part of the Bath community. I have personal experience of the care and professionalism provided here, and if I can give a little bit back to the hospital then that will mean a great deal to me."

Trust Chairman Brian Stables said: "On behalf of the Board, I am delighted to be welcoming Nigel Stevens to the RUH. He has a very active presence in the local community and we look forward to the considerable professional expertise he will be bringing to bear on the role of Non-Executive Director. I'm sure he will be a real asset to the Board.

"I would also like to take this opportunity to thank out-going Non-Executive Director Moira Brennan for her valued contribution to the Trust over the past 10 years."



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Notes to Editor:

Non-Executive Directors

Non-Executive Directors (sometimes referred to as NEDs) are fully-participating members of the Trust Board but do not discharge any executive functions within the Trust. Non-Executive Directors play a crucial role in bringing an independent perspective to the boardroom, in addition to any specific knowledge and skills they possess, and have a duty to scrutinise the performance of the executive management in meeting agreed goals and objectives.

- 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
- For more information about the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust visit: www.ruh.nhs.uk

