

<b>TRUST BOARD IN PUBLIC</b>		<b>Date: 25<sup>th</sup> February 2016</b>	
		<b>Agenda Item: 4.2</b>	
<b>REPORT TITLE:</b>		Update from the Shadow Council of Governors	
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<b>REPORT DISCUSSED PREVIOUSLY:</b> (name of sub-committee/group & date)		Shadow Council of Governors Meeting 26.01.16	
<b>Action Required:</b>			
<b>Approval ( )</b>	<b>Discussion ( )</b>	<b>Assurance (√)</b>	
<b>Purpose of Report:</b>			
To provide an update to the Board on the work of the Shadow Council of Governors.			
<b>Summary of key issues</b>			
<p>The second Shadow Council of Governors took place on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2016. The meeting was quorate and very well attended by both elected, nominated governors and Trust Executive Directors. Key area of Focus for this meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trust Update from the Chief Executive</li> <li>• Review of Quality Account Priorities</li> <li>• Trusts Patient Experience Strategy</li> <li>• Patient Experience Forum Legacy Report</li> <li>• Update from the Membership Development Sub-Group</li> </ul> <p>It was noted that one elected Governor from the Crawley constituency had resigned due to personal reasons.</p>			
<b>Recommendation:</b>			
The Board is asked to note the report.			
<b>Relationship to Trust Strategic Objectives &amp; Assurance Framework:</b>			
<b>SO5:</b> Well led: Become an employer of choice and deliver financial and clinical sustainability around a clinical leadership model			
<b>Corporate Impact Assessment:</b>			
<b>Legal and regulatory impact</b>	A Council of Governors is a statutory requirement for an NHS Foundation Trust and forms part of the governance structure		
<b>Financial impact</b>	Limited – mainly relating to claiming of reasonable travel expenses		
<b>Patient Experience/Engagement</b>	A significant and important part of the role of the Council of Governors		
<b>Risk &amp; Performance Management</b>	Relevant aspects included in the report		
<b>NHS Constitution/Equality &amp; Diversity/Communication</b>	Important to the role and function of the Council of Governors		

Attachment: N/A

## TRUST BOARD REPORT – 25<sup>th</sup> February 2016 UPDATE FROM THE SHADOW COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS

### 1. Introduction

The Shadow Council of Governors held its second meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2016. The meeting was well attended by elected, staff and nominated Governors.

#### 1.2 Main Agenda Items

The following items were discussed:

**Trust and FT Journey Update:** The CEO presented the current developments taking place at the Trust including an update on quality, performance, finance and estates. Discussion also took place on the current status of the Trusts FT application and the possible next steps. The requirements for the Governors input to the 2016/17 NHS Planning Guidance were also noted.

**Review & Input into the 16/17 Quality Account Priorities:** The Medical Director presented the progress being made on the development of next Quality Account and sought feedback from the Governors on the draft priorities for the coming year. The governors agreed that these were appropriate and looked forward to seeing the draft version of the 2015/16 Quality Account.

**Update on the Patient Experience Strategy:** The Chief Nurse and Patient Experience Survey Manager presented the Trusts Patient Experience Strategy and detailed the variety of methods the Trust uses to obtain and use the experience of patients and their carers as an important way of improving the quality and experience of services provided by the Trust.

**Legacy Report from Patient Experience Forum:** One of the Governors presented the legacy report from the Patient Experience Forum, which gave an overview of the range of groups and committees where patients' representatives had been involved and had worked with the Trust over a number of years. The Council agreed to discuss ways in which Governors could become more involved in similar activities over the coming months.

**Update from the Membership Development Group:** One of the Governors gave feedback on the first meeting of the membership development group (a sub-group of the council of governors) and shared a range of approaches being implemented proactively by governors to engage with and to gain feedback from foundation trust members as well as looking at ways of increasing membership from particular constituencies.

The Council also received feedback from the Director of Strategy which included an update on how the Trust Board had given consideration to the feedback from governors on the Trusts Vision, Values and Strategic Objectives.

#### 1.3 Governor Resignation

The Shadow Council was informed that Richard Miller one of the elected Governors for the Crawley Constituency had resigned due to personal reasons. This will warrant a bi-election for the Crawley Constituency in due course.

**2. Recommendation**

The Board is asked to note the report from the Shadow Council of Governors. A report on the work and activities of the Shadow Council of Governors will be provided to the Board on a quarterly basis.

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