

Report to:	Public Board of Directors	Agenda item:	21
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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 FFA Volunteer Dementia Project Launch

On 9th March 2017 Sir Tony Robinson joined the hospital's Forever Friends Appeal, their guests and RUH Staff to celebrate the pioneering new Volunteer Dementia Project. The celebration marked the launch of the innovative £200k project which will take a more holistic and progressive approach aimed at transforming dementia services at the hospital, through a volunteer driven programme. The launch was a great success and an opportunity to hear from those involved in the project, along with an inspirational speech from dementia advocate Sir Tony Robinson.

Guests were able to meet with the newly appointed Side by Side (Volunteer) Co-Ordinator, Brogan Knight, who will be working closely with project lead Consultant Geriatrician, Dr Chris Dyer, to provide more volunteers and activities for our patients living with dementia. The launch allowed guests to view new Reminiscence Pods funded through the project, which are now in use on Combe and Midford Wards. The pods include a 1950's style living room and a 1960's kitchen, and are used as talking points and to make patients feel more relaxed during their stay. The core funding for the project has now been reached and with further funding through the Forever Friends Appeal will continue to expand across the hospital, helping towards our aims to be a leading dementia friendly hospital by 2020.

1.2 Joint NHS England/Kings Fund Conference on the Employment of People with Learning Disabilities

The Chief Executive was invited by the Chief Nursing Officer for England, Professor Jane Cummings, to present at a joint NHS England/King's Fund conference promoting the employment of people with learning disabilities on 17th March 2017.

The Chief Executive shared the hospital's experience and benefits of running Project Search, in conjunction with Fosse Way School, since 2009 and the journey that the students have taken with many appointed into roles within the organisation. The RUH leads all 46 European programmes in appointing Project Search graduates into hospital posts.

The Chief Executive was joined by Simon Andrews, Matron in Trauma and Orthopaedics who provided an overview of the impact and benefits to his team in employing people with learning disabilities. Matt Baxter, Patient Support Assistant and Project Search graduate gave a personal reflection of working at the hospital and how it has affected his life.

1.3 BANES Council Emergency Department Civic Reception

The Chairman of the Council, Councillor Alan Hale, held a civic reception at the Guildhall on 22nd March 2017 to thank and recognise staff within the hospital's Emergency Department for their continued hard work and commitment. The Trust's Chairman, Chief Executive and Chief Operating Officer were also in attendance.

1.4 HSJ Patient Safety Awards 2017

The Trust has been shortlisted in four categories for the finals of the HSJ Patient Safety Awards 2017: Dr Lesley Jordan, Consultant Anaesthetist and Patient Safety Lead has been shortlisted in the Quality Lead of the Year category for the improving Patient Safety Trust-wide using Quality Improvement Methodology, the innovative 'Bath Tea trolley' training which delivers mobile multidisciplinary training in the workplace in the Education and Training category and finally in the 'Improving Safety in Surgical Care' category for

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the increased safety and prevention of never events in the operating theatres by implementation of the WHO safety checklist and improving the safety culture. The Trust has also been nominated in the latter category as part of the Emergency Laparotomy Collaborative, a collective of 24 hospitals from West of England, Wessex and Kent Surrey and Sussex regions who have been working together to improve the care of patients requiring this high risk procedure.

The winners will be announced in July.

1.5 Update on RUH Membership

As at 15th March 2017, 11,233 public Members have signed up to support the RUH NHS Foundation Trust. Together with staff members we now have over 16,000 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.

1.6 Caring for You

Our next Caring for You event will focus on the RUH's Forever Friends Appeal and is taking place on 23rd May 2017 at 6pm. During this special evening, attendees will learn more about the team and the projects they're involved in that make a real difference to the lives of hundreds of thousands of patients cared for by the [RUH](#) each year as well as the friends and family who visit them. Places must be booked, so to book your place or to become a Member, please contact the Membership Office on 01225 826288.

1.7 Governor Elections 2017

Later this year, we will begin our second election to our Council of Governors as an NHS Foundation Trust for those Governor posts whose term of office is ending on 31st October 2017.

We will be looking for enthusiastic and committed people to help us shape our future by standing for election to our Council of Governors. Governors play an important role in the Trust. They help patients, the public and staff have a say in shaping their local health service, and they represent the interests of the more than 16,000 people who have become a Member of the RUH.

Governors don't need any qualifications, just enthusiasm, a willingness to ask questions, be open to ideas, and a desire to make a difference by getting involved in your local hospital. Being a Governor can be a very rewarding experience, and Governors have the opportunity to:

- Represent the views of their constituents and shape the way our services are delivered
- Hold the Non-Executive Directors, individually and collectively, to account for the performance of the Board of Directors
- Attend events throughout the year which offer them the chance to engage with Members of their constituency and members of staff

- Fulfil statutory responsibilities such as the appointment of Non-Executive Directors and the trust Chairman.

If you are interested in finding out more about the role, please contact the Membership Office on 01225 826288.

1.8 Consultant Appointments

Dr Saif Al-Nahhas was appointed as a Consultant in Emergency Medicine on 9th March 2017. Dr Al-Nahhas is currently working at the Trust as a Locum Consultant and will take up his substantive appointment on 1st November 2017.

Dr Horng Kai Tan was appointed as a Consultant in Diabetes and Endocrinology on 13th March 2017. Dr Tan is currently working at the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust as a Specialist Registrar and is due to complete his training at the end of July.

Dr Kostas Gkastaris was appointed as a Consultant in Diabetes and Endocrinology on 13th March 2017. Dr Gkastaris is currently working at University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust as a trainee and is due to complete his training at the end of July.

Dr Moya O'Doherty was appointed as a Consultant in Chemical Pathology on 15th March 2017 and is currently based at North Bristol NHS Trust and the RUH as a trainee.