

Report to:	Public Board of Directors	Agenda item:	19
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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 March on Frailty

The Trust is undertaking a month of events and activities during March to focus on helping patients 'Get up, get dressed and get moving' as part of a national NHS campaign to end pyjama paralysis. Research has shown that encouraging and supporting patients to get dressed and get moving can reduce the risk of infection and reduce the loss of mobility, fitness and strength.

#### 1.2 Staff Nominated for British Medical Journal Awards

Three innovative projects have made it to the final stages of The British Medical Journal (BMJ) Awards. The awards recognise the work of healthcare teams across the country. Dr Lesley Jordan and her Emergency Laparotomy team are shortlisted in the Anaesthesia and Perioperative Medicine Team Award category. The team provides emergency abdominal surgery and has implemented a process to improve the care given to high risk patients before, during and after their operation. Staff from our Positron Emission Tomography/Computed Tomography (PET/CT) team were recognised in the Diagnostics Team Award category. This specialist scanning service has been influential in the treatment of our cancer and dementia patients. In the Education Team category, our innovative 'Bath Tea Trolley' training team has also been named as a BMJ Award finalist. The 'tea trolley' training method was designed by Dr Fiona Kelly, Consultant in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care Medicine, with the aim of delivering education and training to frontline staff in operating theatres and on the wards.

# 1.3 Maternity Virtual Tours available to view

Following a successful Innovations Panel bid, Midwifery Sister Helen Spurells' 'Virtual Maternity Tours' have become a reality. The Trust has produced and released three videos, showcasing our birth centres in the community and the RUH and the facilities they provide, including support for home births, across BaNES, Wiltshire and Somerset. The videos take viewers on a guided journey from first scan to care throughout pregnancy and birth and are designed to help answer common questions around birth choices, particularly for those people who may not be able to visit a birth centre for a scheduled tour. The videos can be found on the Trust's website via

http://www.ruh.nhs.uk/patients/services/maternity/Virtual\_Tours.asp?menu\_id=5

#### 1.4 Royal Thank You to RUH staff

Five RUH nurses were amongst the 350 NHS guests invited to a special Royal Reception at Buckingham Palace on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018 to thank front line staff working in the NHS. The Reception was hosted by Prince Charles, who was joined by the Countess of Wessex, to celebrate nursing in the UK. The guests represented nurses from throughout the profession, from hospitals to general practice to community nursing, nursing homes, and nurses in the armed forces and prisons.

## 1.5 Update on RUH Membership

As at 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018, 11,775 Public Members have signed up to support the RUH NHS Foundation Trust. Together with Staff Members we now have 17,364 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

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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 Constituency Meeting

The North Wiltshire Governors will be hosting their first constituency meeting of the year on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm in Springfield Leisure Centre. During this meeting, Peter Hollinshead, Interim Director of Finance will be attending to provide members with an update on the Trust's financial activities and plans over the coming year. Dee Scruton, Dementia Co-ordinator, will also be in attendance to talk about Dementia.

# 1.7 Caring for You

Our next Caring for You event will focus on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Lifestyle and is taking place on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 6pm. During this event, attendees will learn more about diabetes care service here at the RUH. Places must be booked so please contact the Membership office on 01225 821262 or via email at <a href="RUHmembership@nhs.net">RUHmembership@nhs.net</a>.