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Media Release

RUH to hold its first virtual AGM

The Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust will host its first-ever online AGM on Tuesday 13 October.

The event, which is being held virtually in response to social distancing guidelines, will take place from 2pm – 4pm and will be available for everyone to view on the Microsoft Teams video platform. Join in at www.ruh.nhs.uk/AGMlive

Trust Chair Alison Ryan said: “This year’s event will be held online due to coronavirus and the risks involved in large gatherings, but I look forward to chairing what I expect to be a very busy and interesting meeting.

“This is a fantastic chance for you to meet our new Chief Executive, Cara Charles-Barks, who will be sharing the progress we have made over the last year and what the future might hold for the RUH.

“We will also be updating on our financial position, our objectives and priorities, and the measures we are taking to ensure the hospital is open to treat patients safely during these challenging times.

“It’s your chance to ask questions and learn about the vital work we carry out as an NHS organisation that aims to provide the highest quality of care to the local community. You can submit questions to the Membership Office in advance or you can ask your questions on the day during the live question and answer session.

“So get your tea and biscuits at the ready and please join us from the comfort and safety of your own home, via your laptop, tablet or phone.”

If you have any questions about the event, please contact the Membership Office on 01225 826288 or 821262 or at RUHmembership@nhs.net,

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Chair:
Alison Ryan

Chief Executive:
Cara Charles-Barks



Notes to Editor:

The World Health Organization has designated 2020 as the Year of the Nurse and Midwife to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Florence Nightingale. Our nurses and midwives are a big part of the RUH family and throughout the year we are celebrating the work they do, going above and beyond every day to give our patients compassionate care.

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 759 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 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, cancer related fatigue and fatigue linked to other long term conditions such as multiple sclerosis.

The RUH is changing - we have an exciting programme of redevelopment underway transforming our site and further improving the services we provide. The Trust has opened the purpose-built RNHRD and Brownsword Therapies Centre and is now working towards the 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