

## Council of Governors: Summary Sheet

28<sup>th</sup> July 2016  
**Item No 14b**

**Title of Paper:** Governor Questions to the Board

**Presented By:** Chair, Jayne Brown OBE

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To which duty does this refer:

Holding non-executive directors individually and collectively to account for the performance of the Board	x
Appointment, removal and deciding the terms of office of the Chair and non-executive directors	
Determining the remuneration of the Chair and non-executive directors	
Appointing or removing the trust's auditor	
Approving or not the appointment of the trust's chief executive	
Receiving the annual report and accounts and auditor's report	
Representing the interests of members and the public	x
Approving or not increases to non-NHS income of more than 5% of total income	
Approving or not acquisitions, mergers, separations and dissolutions	
Jointly approving changes to the trust's constitution with the Board	
Expressing a view on the Trust's forward plans	
Consideration on the use of income from the provision of goods and services from sources other than the NHS in England	
Monitoring the activities of the Trust to ensure that they are being conducted in a manner consistent with its terms of authorisation and the constitution.	x
Monitoring the Trust's performance against its targets and strategic aims	x

**How does this item support the functioning of the Council of Governors?**

Putting questions to the Board allows governors an additional measure to hold the Trust to account for its performance and to ensure that the views of governors and members are heard and responded to at the highest level.

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**Question from Dan Creber, Social Work Staff Governor**

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The School of Health and Related Research (SchARR) at the University of Sheffield has a world leading Health Economics and Decision Science Section that studies and can advise on the modelling of health service reconfigurations. See <http://www.shef.ac.uk/scharr/sections/heds>.

Is it true that despite the trust being actively involved in reconfiguration projects looking at the delivery of Community Mental Health Services (CMHTs) that no attempt has made to look at how we could use the resources at University of Sheffield to support our decision making and planning?

**Response from Dr Mike Hunter, Clinical Director**

The transforming pathways approach that we are using in the CMHTs draws upon work from SchARR and other centres, and also involves frontline staff and service users. Whilst we did not contract directly with SchARR in relation to the work, we are very pleased to announce that a leading academic from SchARR will be working within our CMHT system.

SHSC and SchARR have jointly appointed Prof Scott Weich, a leading international expert on Health Services Research. Prof Weich will undertake his academic work in SchARR and work as a Consultant Psychiatrist in SHSC's community services. This is an excellent opportunity to bring international expertise to the delivery and development of our community services.

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**Question from Toby Morgan, Service User Governor**

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What are the negative and positive impacts from the EU referendum result for SHSCFT?

Verbal response to be given by Kevan Taylor, Chief Executive in the Council of Governor's meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2016.