

Council of Governors: Summary Sheet

Title of Paper: Appointment of Interim Senior Independent Director

Presented By: Jayne Brown OBE, Trust chair

Action Required:

For Information	<input type="checkbox"/>	For Ratification	<input type="checkbox"/>	For a decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
For Feedback	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vote required	<input type="checkbox"/>	For Receipt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

To which duty does this refer:

Holding non-executive directors individually and collectively to account for the performance of the Board	
Appointment, removal and deciding the terms of office of the Chair and non-executive directors	X
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	
Approving or not increases to non-NHS income of more than 5% of total income	
Approving or not significant transactions including acquisitions, mergers, separations and dissolutions	
Jointly approving changes to the Trust's constitution with the Board	
Expressing a view on the Trust's operational (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	
Monitoring the Trust's performance against its targets and strategic aims	

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

The appointment of the Senior Independent Director is made by the Board of Directors in consultation with the Council of Governors.

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Date: 17 April 2018

SUMMARY REPORT

Report to: Council of Governors

Date: 26 April 2018

Subject: Appointment of Interim Senior Independent Director

From: Jayne Brown OBE, Chair

Prepared by: Sam Stoddart, Deputy Board Secretary

1. Purpose

To inform the Council of Governors of the requirement to have in place a Senior Independent Director (SID) and to note the approval of the Board of Directors of the appointment of Mr Richard Mills.

2. Summary

The role of Senior Independent Director (SID) has been held by Mervyn Thomas for the past two years. However with Mr Thomas' term of office ending on 31 March 2018, the Chair has sought to identify a replacement as per the requirements of the NHS Foundation Trust Code of Governance and the Trust's Constitution. The role profile is attached at appendix A.

Recognising that the non-executive directors are in a period of transition following Mr Thomas and Ms Rogers departure, and the appointment of two new non-executive directors from 1 April 2018, the Chair sought to appoint an interim SID for a period of 6 months and identified Richard Mills as the interim SID. Mr Mills has agreed to take up the position.

3. Next Steps

The Board gave its approval of the appointment at its meeting of 11 April 2018.

4. Required Actions

The Council is asked to note the appointment of Mr Mills to as interim SID for a period of 6 months.

5. Monitoring Arrangements

It is the responsibility of the Director of Corporate Governance (Board Secretary) to ensure that the Trust is fully compliant with the Code of Governance and Trust Constitution.

6. Contact Details

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