

Board of Directors

Public Minutes of the Meeting (Part II) held on Tuesday, 6 May 2014 In the Salt Arch Room, Victoria Infirmary Northwich

PRESENT

Mr D Dunn MBE	Deputy/Interim Chairman (<i>in the chair</i>)
Dame P Bacon	Non-Executive Director
Mrs T Bullock	Chief Executive
Mr M Davis	Non-Executive Director
Dr PA Dodds	Deputy Chief Executive and Medical Director
Mrs D Frodsham	Chief Operating Officer
Mr D Hopewell	Non-Executive Director
Mr M Davis	Non-Executive Director
Mr M Oldham	Director of Finance & Strategic Planning
Mr D Pitt	Director of Service Transformation & Workforce
Mrs J Smith	Director of Nursing & Quality

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr J Lyons	Lead Governor
Ms M Steele	Acting Trust Secretary

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

After discussion, it was

Resolved

To sign the minutes as an accurate record of the meeting held on Monday, 7 April 2014

ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES NOT INCLUDED ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

None noted.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

14.01.3.1 [Item removed under Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act]

Resolved

- To note the verbal update

STRONG PROGRESSIVE FT

14.05.4.1 (Part II)

Partnership Working with University Hospital North Staffordshire NHS Trust

Mrs Bullock presented the minutes noting she had met with Moira Dumma, Director, Cheshire Warrington & Wirral Area Team in relation to proposed collaborations with UHNS. Mrs Bullock noted Ms Dumma was very supportive of the partnership working between the Trust and University Hospital North Staffordshire NHS Trust.

[Paragraph removed under Section 36 of the Freedom of Information Act].

Mrs Bullock noted Ms Dumma was leaving the Cheshire Warrington & Wirral Area Team, due to take up a post in Yorkshire. Mrs Bullock noted a freeze on vacancies meant that her position would not be filled in the immediate term, however, Alison Tonge responsible for Commissioning within the Cheshire Warrington & Wirral Area Team would act up to the role.

Mrs Bullock advised of the Work Programme and progress to date noting in particular the Clinical Workstreams.

Mr Davis' noted the consequences of the collaborative working were immense and enquired as to whether the health economy were supportive of the proposals. Mrs Bullock reaffirmed the Area Team were supportive, however, advised one Trust within the Clinical Networks had expressed its reservations. Mrs Bullock advised Ms Dumma had spoken to Specialist Trusts in the region regarding the development of clinical/patient pathways and improving patient choice.

Mr Davis enquired as to the potential competition issues, wherein Mrs Bullock noted both Trusts were aware of the potential issues, however, noted the Trusts were working to improve patient choice.

Mr Davis noted the reference to a 5th Linear Accelerator wherein Mrs Bullock noted the discussion that had taken place in relation to cancer services advising a paper would be presented, in the future, to both the Board of Directors.

In response to the Chairman's enquiry as to how frequently the Board met, Mrs Bullock advised the Board met bi-monthly with Mrs Frodsham meeting her counterpart at University Hospital North Staffordshire NHS Trust on a monthly basis. Mrs Bullock noted she also met with the Chief Executive on a monthly basis.

Resolved

- **To note the minutes and verbal update**

**14.05.4.2 Meeting with Area Team Director
(Part II)**

Mrs Bullock noted her two meetings with Moira Dumma, Director of Cheshire, Warrington & Wirral Area Team (referred to under Item 14.05.4.1 Part II).

[Item removed under Section 36 of the Freedom of Information Act].

Resolved

- **To note the verbal update**

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

**14.05.5.1 Extraordinary Board of Directors Meeting of 27 May 2014
(Part II)**

The Chairman noted he was unable to attend the Extraordinary Board of Directors meeting scheduled for 27 May 2014 and advised Mr David Hopewell, Senior Independent Director, would chair the meeting.

**14.05.5.2 Sexual Health Services
(Part II)**

Mrs Bullock advise the Trust were to tender for Sexual Health Services in Cheshire West in conjunction with the Countess of Chester NHS Foundation Trust.

**14.05.5.3 Visit of the Labour Leader
(Part II)**

Mrs Bullock advised Mr Ed Miliband, Leader of the Labour Party, was due to visit the Trust on Monday, 12 May 2014 @ 11am.

REVIEW OF THE MEETING

It was agreed the Board of Directors meeting had seen a range of patient focused, strategic and operational items. In response to Mr Oldham's enquiry as to whether the revised format of the Business Cases was more appropriate and succinct, it was agreed the revised format was much improved on the previous format particularly for those Business Cases received in April and May.

Mrs Smith noted it had been a good experience for the Ward Managers to attend and present the Patient Survey results wherein the Board of Directors agreed it had been of value to have the Ward managers present.

Signed

Chairman

Date