

Expression of Interest for the Role of a Lead Governor

Your Name: **David Spencer**

Please outline (in no more than 250 words) why you are interested in undertaking the Lead Governor role:

We have all learnt a great deal since originally coming together in spring 2015, and it has been my privilege to act as Lead Governor since last August.

I have found it very rewarding and, as well as being committed to represent all Governors, I have attended two very informative conferences during the year.

I try to follow a doctrine of “what you see is what you get” with no hidden agendas. I am seeking re-election because I feel that there is the potential for Governors to contribute more to the Trust and I would like a full involvement in pursuing new initiatives with colleagues.

It is entirely understandable that owing to other commitments a number of Governors are unable to attend Governor Only meetings. If re-elected I would like to explore the possibility of having a small steering group of those who have the available time to carry out initial discussions followed by consultation with the other governors by email.

I also feel that we could be more useful to the Trust by undertaking projects for Management and the Board to consider and help with new proposals and initiatives. We could use the above process for this and enable all Governors to have more overall involvement including those with only limited time.

Finally, thanks to all Governors for your support over the last year.

Return of Your Nomination:

Please return this to Stella Jackson, Deputy Trust Secretary via email: stella.jackson@bdct.nhs.uk by **5.00 pm on Thursday, 30 June**.

Process:

- Completed nominations will be forwarded to the Council of Governors’ ahead of the meeting on 11 August.
- At the meeting, the Governors will be given the opportunity to ask supplementary questions of those people that have completed a nomination.
- If two or more people apply for the role, a secret ballot will take place at the Council of Governors’ meeting on Thursday, 11 August and the person with the highest number of votes will be appointed as Lead Governor.
- In the event of a tie, the Chair will draw lots at the meeting.
- The person with the second highest number of votes will be appointed as Deputy Lead Governor (subject to their agreement)