

COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS' MEETING

13 AUGUST 2015

Paper Title:	Report on Board of Directors' meetings
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Agenda Item:	6
Presented For:	Information and discussion

1. PURPOSE OF THIS PAPER:

The purpose of this paper is to:

- Provide some general information about the issues occupying the Board since the last Council of Governors' meeting;
- Provide an opportunity to gather any areas of 'data' from Governors that requires further follow up/engagement;
- Summarise Board issues that are planned during the next three months; and
- Provide details about this year's Annual Members' Meeting.

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

National issues

Here are some of the more significant national issues that have occurred between May and July 2015 (for further detail and wider information, please access the Chief Executive reports from each Board meeting):

- The Government has announced the merging of Monitor and the NHS Trust Development Authority and a new Chief Executive will be appointed at the end of the summer;
- Monitor has consulted on changes to the Risk Assessment Framework (RAF), the way it monitors the financial and governance performance of FTs, which are expected to come into force at the end of Quarter 2. The Trust commented on the consultation as the revised RAF will have implications on FTs' continuity of services ratings;
- The Government has recently published a major report 'Learning not Blaming' in response to the Morecambe Bay Investigation, Freedom to Speak Up and the Public Administration Select Committee report on clinical incidents.

BDCFT Board issues

The Board's discussions (in both private and public meetings) have focused on the following:

Developing Integrated Services

- our strategy relating to an evolving Primary Care Landscape including meetings with new GP federation leads and primary care developments with AWC CCG
- reviewing progress of the Integration and Change Board
- featured developments in Mental Health, such as our First Response – a major step forward in the development of crisis and community mental health services

Service Investment

- progress on our strategy to increase BME Diversity in employment
- the opening of the Intensive Therapy Centre
- an investment in Moorlands view

Digital healthcare – Agile Working

- a number of significant developments being made including software and hardware upgrades to support agile working, updated clinical information systems, and a new digital strategy under development

Governance

- new CQC fundamental Standards introduced which have been reviewed by the Board
- review of Quality and Safety Committee – to report back in December
- positive assurance about medical revalidation

Looking forward – Board of Directors work plan

In the next three months the Board will be discussing a number of strategic, service development and engagement issues:

Strategic issues

- Primary Care landscape (September)
- Digital Strategy (October)
- Review of our Quality Strategy (October)

Service development discussions

- School nursing service (September)
- Initial review of First Response service (September)

Engagement issues

- The next few 'Board on the Road' meetings will feature lunchtime presentations by the four work streams from the Your and Your Care programme (September – January)

3. ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING

This will take place on 22 September at Bradford City Football Club, Coral Windows Stadium, Valley Parade, Bradford, BD8 7DY. It will start at 5.30pm and will finish with a light supper and an opportunity to network at c7.00pm. The theme of the AMM is 'Shaping our future'.

The Annual Members' Meeting (AMM) provides Governors with an opportunity to learn about the work taking place within the Trust and to network with members and key stakeholders who have an interest in our work including service users, carers, staff and local organisations.

The programme for the AMM is as follows:

4.45 pm	Registration opens and Board members/Governors to arrive
5.30 pm	Welcome - Michael Smith
	2014/15 Quality Accounts – Andy McElligott
	Membership Report and the Council of Governors – Lead Governor or Paul Hogg
	2014/15 Accounts – Liz Romaniak
	2014/15 Annual Report: Shaping our Future - Simon Large
c6.20 pm	Question and Answer Session – facilitated by Michael Smith
7.00 pm	Light buffet available and networking opportunity
by c7.30pm	Close

Governors can register their attendance at this event with Stella Jackson, Deputy Trust Secretary, who can be contacted via email: stella.jackson@bdct.nhs.uk or telephone: 01274 363552.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Council of Governors:

- Receive this information and seek any further clarification from the Trust Chair;