

## COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS MEETING

18 July 2019

Paper Title: Appointment of the Lead Governor and the Deputy Lead Governor

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Agenda Item: **10**

### Executive Summary:

The Council of Governors is reminded that at its May 2019 meeting it approved the process for the election of the Lead Governor and the Deputy Lead Governor.

The process was as follows:

1. appointment of the Lead Governor, and the Deputy Lead Governor roles will continue to be an annual appointment;
2. governors interested in standing as Lead Governor and Deputy Lead Governor were asked to express their interest to the Chair of the Trust;
3. nominees were asked to submit a short statement on how they are suited to the role. This was to be sent to the Deputy Trust Board Secretary by **30 June 2019**;
4. if two or more governors expressed an interest in one role, a secret ballot would take place at the next Council of Governors' meeting where those governors in attendance would be able to vote for their preferred candidate.

One nomination was received for the **Lead Governor** role from **Nicky Green**.

One nomination was received for the **Deputy Lead Governor** role from **Colin Perry**.

In line with the process outlined above, the Council of Governors is asked to acknowledge the outcome of the election process for the Lead Governor and the Deputy Lead Governor. The personal statement from the nominees are enclosed.

The Council is asked to thank the two candidates for the time and effort they have put into standing for election, and to ratify the appointment of Nicky Green as the Lead Governor, and Colin Perry as the Deputy Lead Governor for a period of one-year commencing the 18 July 2019.

### Recommendations:

The Council of Governors is asked to:

- acknowledge the outcome of the election
- formally thank the two candidates for all the time and effort they have put into standing
- ratify the appointment of appointment of Nicky Green as the Lead Governor, and Colin Perry as the Deputy Lead Governor for a period of one-year commencing the 18 July 2019.

## **Election Process for the Lead Governor and Deputy Lead Governor roles**

### **Lead Governor Role**

**Your Name:** Nicky Green

**Constituency:** Public Keighley



I have recently started my second term as Keighley Governor for Bradford District Care Foundation Trust (BDCFT). During my first term I have been Deputy Lead Governor and I been a member of both Nomination and Remuneration Committees, sub-committees of the Council of Governors.

I volunteer for a helpline offering support by telephone and email to Vets and their teams. I believe the pressures and mental health issues that they struggle with will be similar to others working in caring professions. Therefore, I strongly believe that to provide a good healthcare system we need to look after those who work in it. Good Staff wellbeing and morale will enable BDCFT to provide optimum care.

I would like to take on the role of Lead Governor to be more involved and to gain a better understand of the challenges facing BDCFT. I am willing to ask the questions needed for Governors to be assured that the non-executive directors are effective in their roles. I am an open and approachable person. I am happy to discuss any topic from my fellow governors, members and the wider public.

### **Deputy Lead Governor Role**

**Name:** Colin Perry

**Constituency:** Public Bradford West



I am nearing the end of my second term as a governor and feel it is a good time to step back from the Lead Governor role. However, I would like to be in a position to support my successor and so decided to apply for the Deputy post. Over the years, I have tried to make a significant contribution to the work of the governors and hope I have the confidence of fellow governors in my ability to offer leadership when necessary.

I am committed to enhancing the work of the Trust, particularly in regard to mental health services, and have considerable experience and knowledge in this area. I am a Trustee of a local advocacy organisation and am in touch with the views of service users and carers. I have worked closely with the Chair and non-executive directors and feel we have developed a constructive relationship in which I am accepted as a critical friend.

I have always been a supporter of the NHS and I keep up to date with developments in health both locally and nationally. I therefore feel able to think through issues and present a coherent viewpoint in meetings and discussions while also being able to listen and understand other peoples point of view.

I plan to continue to be involved in a similar range of meetings as a governor representative and hope I can continue to be effective from the back benches.