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# Report to the Meeting of the Members’ Council

**9 February 2012**

**Report on Governor Elections**

**For: Information**

***2012 Election***

Governor elections for 2012 have commenced in order to fill existing vacancies and the Governor terms of office due to end on or near 1 April 2012. Accordingly, elections are taking place in the following constituencies:-

Public: Oxfordshire 2 seats

Public: Buckinghamshire 1 seat

Public: Rest of England & Wales 1 seat

Patient: Service Users (Mental Health) 1 seat

Patient: Patient (Community Services) 1 seat

Staff: Specialist Secondary Mental Health 3 seats

The Trust has appointed ERS to run the elections and act as the independent returning officer. Nominations for all vacancies close at 12.00 noon on Tuesday, 21 February 2012. Voting will take place over March with those elected starting a three-year term as Governor on 2 April 2012.

Nomination forms are available by contacting the returning officer (ERS):-

* Telephone: 020 8365 8909
* Email: john.box@electoralreform.co.uk
* Post: Electoral Reform Services, 33 Clarendon Road, London, N8 0NW

***Governors whose terms of office end***

The following Governor’s terms of office end on or near 1 April 2012:-

* Meg Barbour, Public: Oxfordshire
* Dana Scott, Public: Buckinghamshire
* Pauline Fair, Patient: Service Users
* Julia Besooijen, Patient: Service Users
* Maureen Cundell, Staff: Specialist Secondary Mental Health
* David Geaney, Staff: Specialist Secondary Mental Health

With the exception of Pauline Fair and David Geaney, Governors whose terms of office are ending have the opportunity to stand for re-election.

Pauline Fair and David Geaney will have completed two consecutive terms as Governor so, under the Constitution, are ineligible to stand for re-election. Both have been on the Members’ Council since the Trust first became an NHS foundation trust in April 2008.

Sincere thanks for the hard work and dedication to all Governors whose terms are ending, with special thanks and acknowledgment going to Pauline and David for their support since the establishment of the Council and NHS foundation trust.

**Recommendation**

The Members’ Council is asked to note the report and encourage FT Members to consider standing for election.

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