

## **Report to the Meeting of the Members' Council**

**For Information**

**10 May 2011**

### **Election Update Report**

#### **Executive Summary**

The Trust is currently undertaking an election process to elect Governors to serve on the Trust's Members' Council from 1 June 2011.

The Trust's Constitution was recently updated and the Membership Constituencies changed.

The Changes to Membership and Governor representation are designed to ensure that everyone who is interested in the services provided by the Trust can participate. Importantly the updated Constitution provides opportunities for people interested in community health services to become involved.

The vacancies are in the following Governor constituencies:

| Constituency | Class                             | Vacancies |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Patient      | Patients (Community Services)     | 1         |
|              | Carers                            | 2         |
| Public       | Buckinghamshire                   | 2         |
|              | Oxfordshire                       | 6         |
|              | Rest of England & Wales           | 1         |
| Staff        | Corporate Services                | 1         |
|              | Children, Young People & Families | 1         |
|              | Integrated Community Services     | 3         |

The term of office will be three years.

This election is currently being managed by the Electoral Reform Services (ERS).

The nomination process commenced on 10 March 2011 and closed on 7 April 2011.

Unfortunately, some of the vacancies were not filled after many attempts to encourage Members to stand. Those that did nominate were elected (uncontested) on 13 April 2011 (please refer to the Uncontested Report attached to this report). Because these Governors have been elected through an uncontested election, this has meant that they could start their role as Governors earlier than first assumed.

Only one election will take place on 5 May 2011 for the Staff: Corporate Services Constituency. This vacancy will be contested by two candidates. The closing date for this election will be 1 June 2011.

Further information about this election is available on the Trust's website in the Members Council section.

An additional election process will shortly commence on 19 May 2011 to elect the remaining Governors to serve on the Trust's Members' Council from 15 July 2011.

The vacancies will be in the following Governor constituencies:

| Constituency | Class                          | Vacancy |
|--------------|--------------------------------|---------|
| Public       | Buckinghamshire                | 1       |
| Public       | Oxfordshire                    | 1       |
| Public       | Rest of England & Wales        | 1       |
| Patient      | Patients (Community Services)  | 1       |
| Patient      | Carers                         | 1       |
| Staff        | Integrated Community Services  | 2       |
| Staff        | Specialist & Forensic Services | 1       |

### **Recommendation**

The Members' Council is asked to note the report and offer support to encourage people to nominate in the election commencing 19 May 2011.

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13<sup>th</sup> April 2011

Dear Mr James,

**OXFORD HEALTH NHS FOUNDATION TRUST  
ELECTION TO THE MEMBERS' COUNCIL 2011**

Further to the deadline for nominations for the above elections at noon on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2011, the following constituencies are uncontested:

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| Public: Buckinghamshire<br>2 to elect  |
| The following candidate is elected unopposed:<br>Frances Imogen Tammer<br><br><i>One vacancy remains</i> |

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| Public: Oxfordshire<br>6 to elect  |
| The following candidates are elected unopposed:<br>Mike Alexander<br>Lynda Susan Atkins<br>Jacqueline Amelia Bourton<br>Vivian Lanzon-Miller<br>Peter John Tankard<br><br><i>One vacancy remains</i> |

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| Public: Rest of England and Wales<br>1 to elect |
| No nominations received                         |
| <i>One vacancy remains</i>                      |

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| Patients (Community Services)<br>1 to elect |
| No nominations received                     |
| <i>One vacancy remains</i>                  |

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| Carers<br>2 to elect  |
| The following candidate is elected unopposed:<br>Patricia Armstrong |
| <i>One vacancy remains</i>  |

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| Staff: Integrated Community Services<br>3 to elect              |
| The following candidate is elected unopposed:<br>Karen Campbell |
| <i>Two vacancies remain</i>                                     |

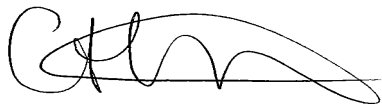
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| Staff: Children, Young People and Families<br>1 to elect    |
| The following candidate is elected unopposed:<br>Pam Norton |

Elections are to be contested in the following constituency:

Staff: Corporate Services

These will be concluded in May 2011.

Yours sincerely



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Returning Officer  
On behalf of Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust