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# Report to the Meeting of the Members' Council

#### For Information

10 May 2011

#### **Trust Constitution**

### **Executive Summary**

As part of the Community Health Oxfordshire (CHO) integration, the Trust needed to amend its Constitution. Governors will recall that the Constitutional amendments were discussed at meetings of the Members' Council in November 2010 and February 2011.

Taking account of the Members' Council comments, the Board submitted proposed amendments to Monitor in November 2010 and February 2011. Changes were proposed to the following:-

- Trust Name
- Board of Directors composition
- Membership Constituencies and Governor representation

On 23 February 2011, the Trust was informed that Monitor had approved the amendments and updated the Constitution accordingly. A copy of the relevant letter is attached to this report. Governor's will recall that this was reported to them out-of-session.

The revised Constitution along with other schedules associated with the Trust's Terms of Authorisation may be accessed here:-

http://www.monitor-nhsft.gov.uk/home/about-nhs-foundation-trusts/nhs-foundation-trust-directory/oxford-health-nhs-foundation-trust

Any Governor who would like a hard-copy of the Trust's updated Constitution should contact the Trust Secretary.

### Recommendation

The Members' Council is asked to note the updated Trust Constitution

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#### 23 February 2011

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Dear Julie

## Amendment to constitution - proposed name change

I am writing in response to the Trust's request for an amendment to its constitution. The proposed revisions were made to the Constitution as part of the Trust's Community Health Oxford transaction submissions of 30 November 2010 and consist of:

- a change in the Trust's name to Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust;
- a change in name for partnership and primary care governor groups;
- naming and structure changes to constituencies; and
- changes to the categories and numbers of governors.

I can confirm that Monitor approves the variation to the constitution.

This letter confirming our mutually agreed understanding of the amendment should be retained with the Trust's bound constitution, together with any other subsequent agreed variations.

Monitor will update its external website accordingly and the Trust's name will be changed within Monitor's records as of immediate effect.

Should you have any queries, please contact me in the first instance.

Yours sincerely,

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cc Martin Howell – Chair Justinian Habner – Trust Secretary