

# Report to the Meeting of the

**BOD 84/2019**

(Agenda item: 2)

# Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust

# Board of Directors

**25 September 2019**

**Declarations of Interests and Register of Directors’ Interests**

**For: Information**

**Executive Summary**

The Trust is required to have a formal Register of Directors’ Interests under the Constitution and the Health and Social Care Act 2012. The attached table sets out the declared interests of the members of the Board. This has been updated since the Board meeting on 24 July 2019, when this was formally presented to the Board for review (changes shown tracked for clarity), in relation to the inclusion of interests for:

* Jonathan Asbridge (Visiting Professor at the University of West London);
* Marie Crofts, Chief Nurse (declaration in relation to her role as a trustee of PAPYRUS, a charity for the prevention of young suicide); and
* Debbie Richards, Managing Director of Mental Health and Learning Disabilities (various non-financial professional and indirect interests declared).

In accordance with the Standing Orders for the Practice and Procedure of the Board of Directors (Annex 9 of the Constitution) each member of the Board is required to disclose:

* any actual or potential interest, direct or indirect, which is relevant and material to the business of the Trust (see Standing Orders 8.2.1);
* any actual or potential pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, in any contract, proposed contract or other such matter concerning the Trust (see Standing Orders 8.2.2 and 8.2.3); and
* any actual or potential family interest, direct or indirect (see Standing Orders 8.2.5).

Members of the Board are reminded that, in accordance with NHS Improvement’s NHS Foundation Trust Annual Reporting Manual, the Trust’s Annual Report should disclose details of company directorships and other significant or material interests held by directors or governors which may conflict with their management responsibilities e.g. where those companies or related parties are likely to do business (or are possibly seeking to do business) with the Trust or where they may conflict with their management responsibilities. As NHS Foundation Trusts must have registers of directors’ and governors’ interests which are available to the public (also in accordance with guidance from NHS England on managing conflicts of interest), an alternative disclosure is for the Annual Report to simply state how members of the public can gain access to the registers instead of listing all the interests in the Annual Report (this alternative disclosure is typically used by the Trust).

The registers of governors’ and directors’ interests are publicly accessible as part of the Board papers published on the Trust’s website and the most recent versions are also published in a section of the Trust’s website for disclosures and declarations here:

<https://www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/about-us/governance/disclosures-and-declarations/>

**Recommendation**The Board is asked to note the report or, if further updates are required, members of the Board are asked to provide details of their interests.

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