

'You matter, we care'

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Title:	Chair's report
Item:	006

Executive Director lead and presenter	Chair
Report author(s)	Assistant Company Secretary

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This report is for:	
Decision	
Discussion	
To Note	X

Executive Summary of key issues
The purpose of this report is to update the Board on the work of the Chair during the preceding month.

This report addresses these Strategic Priorities:	
We will deliver the best care	X
We will support and develop our staff	X
We will continually improve what we do	X
We will use our resources wisely	X
We will be future focussed	X

1. Review

- 1.1. I would like to thank all those involved in the Bristol Tender for their hard work in the Trust achieving 'preferred bidder' status for Lots 1 and 2 in the competitive tender process for mental health services in Bristol. I fully expect that, through co-operation with partners, Mental Health Bristol will develop services and a system lead that will be to the level that our users and carers expect.
- 1.2. In the last month I participated in on Quality Improvement Visit visiting Cromwell Ward, Wickham. Feedback was positive on the principals of re-design particularly the co-location of multi-disciplinary teams.
- 1.3. I have also chaired an appointments panel for a consultant in Liaison Psychiatry. With this recent appointment the Trust is now close to a critical mass for a Liaison faculty which should generate a nationally recognised specialism.
- 1.4. I have recently sat on a panel for the recruitment of a NED for Buckingham Trust where I was able to both learn from their experience and share our recent progress.
- 1.5. The Carers Charter has recently been launched at the Carers Forum. It is expected that this will be subject to a significant communications strategy within the organisation.
- 1.6. Following the recent issue of the Medical Strategy an important and successful Strategy Summit took place on 16th April which involved all Locality Delivery Units and reviewed quality imperatives and opportunities for the next couple of years. This thinking will inform the Trust's IBP and operating plans.
- 1.7. The Chief Executive and I have met with both Swindon and North Somerset CCGs and positive discussions took place around issues such as dementia services, CAMHS, system leadership and the development of intelligent IT. It was acknowledged that there are some operational issues to address but it is welcomed that both are keen to develop strategic plans.
- 1.8. Half yearly appraisal reviews for NEDs are underway and all 360° feedback to me is now complete. The NED vacancy position has been advertised and a date set for the interviews.