

**BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

**Report of Dr Mary Archer, Chairman**

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**SELECTED CONFERENCE, MEETINGS AND VISITORS TO THE TRUST SINCE THE LAST MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

- 10/11 April Inaugural scientific conference, UK National Stem Cell Network, Edinburgh.
- 14 April Governors' seminar on costings given by Helen Strain.
- 15 April Addenbrooke's Joint Forum meeting between the Trust and representatives of the three local authorities. Mary Chaloner is a Forum Member.
- 16 April Megan Davies, Eric Revell and Michael Bright approved the signing off of the governors' statement for the Healthcare Commission declaration. Leadership Academy Awards Event for Cohort 2. Health Enterprise East's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Innovation Awards dinner, held at the American Air Museum.
- 21 April Joint board meeting between directors of the Trust and Cambridgeshire PCT.
- 22 April First meeting of the Trust's new Sustainability and Environment Strategy Group in the afternoon. Judith Ewer is a member of this Group.
- 28 April Mike Penning, Shadow Minister for Health and MP for Hemel Hempstead, visited the Trust in connection with his role as chairman of the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Chaplaincy in the NHS.
- 1 May Event in the CRI to mark the Trust's new partnership with Merck, under which Merck will have research time on the Trust's new PET/CT machines.
- 2 May UK University Hospital Chairs Group meeting in St Thomas' Hospital.
- 7 May Cambridge Cancer Centre Steering Committee.
- 9 May Addenbrooke's Open Day
- 12 May Launch at Hinxton Hall of the NHS East of England vision *Towards the Best, Together* led by Dr Robert Winter.

- 15 May Association of UK University Hospitals (AUKUH) annual joint meeting with the Medical Schools Council in Bath, attended by the Regius, Chairman and Chief Executive.
- 18 May Cycle ride in aid of the Adam Rogers Trust, raising over £600,000 for an Outreach Service to paediatric cancer patients.
- 19 May East of England FT Chairs Network meeting. Extraordinary Board of Directors' meeting to discuss the business case for the Children's Hospital.
- 21 May Joint BoG/BoD seminar on the Annual Plan.
- 22 May Greater Cambridge Partnership Annual Conference at Hinxton Hall. Leadership Forum lecture given by Professor Sir George Alberti.
- 28 May NHS Retirement Fellowship AGM of Cambridge Branch.
- 2 June Infection Control Seminar for Governors, followed by the Governors' Social Event in the ATC.
- 3 June Arts Launch in the ATC.
- 5 June SHA meeting for PCT and Trust Chairs and Chief Executives at Newmarket.
- 6 June Cambridge Network workshop entitled *A Vision for Cambridge* at St John's Innovation Centre. Lunch to thank volunteers.
- 9 June Meeting convened by Robert Harris, Policy Director of Monitor, to discuss a joint Monitor/Appointments Commission proposal to invite tenders to run an FT NED development programme.
- 12 June Urology IDM Steering Group meeting.
- 13 June Cambridgeshire Horizons' annual conference at Hinxton Hall.
- 16 June Friends of Addenbrooke's Summer Party at Trumpington Hall.
- 17 June Papworth Board of Governors' meeting.
- 18/19 June NHS Confederation Conference, at which the Chairman and Brian Gerbaldi gave a joint presentation, entitled *What makes a good Governor?*
- 20 June Dinner at Trinity Hall for key stakeholders of the Cambridge Biomedical Campus
- 23/25 June First Judge Business School/Trust Health Leaders' programme.
- 26 June Opening of the new Vascular Unit. Leadership Forum Lecture by Professor Bernard Crump.
- 27 June Cambridge Cancer Centre Symposium held at the CRI.

## **PRE-HOSPITAL CRITICAL CARE**

In recent months, the Trust has become aware of difficulties in the coordination of pre-hospital care for the critically ill and critically injured patient. A number of bodies – the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, the Critical Care Network, MAGPAS, the East Anglian and Herts & Essex Air Ambulance Charities and the major hospitals in the region – are involved in the provision of care to this small but highly vulnerable group of patients. It has become evident that a more coordinated approach which assures uniform and high standards of clinical protocols and governance is required. At the instigation of the Trust, the SHA has now added pre-hospital critical care to the urgent care 'Darzi' workstream which is led by Dr Robert Winter. The aim is to agree and implement a new partnership model of pre-hospital critical care provision within a timescale six months.

## **PATIENT SAFETY COUNCIL**

Gareth's reorganisation of the senior management structure of the Trust has resulted in the creation of a Patient Safety Council (PSC), which will meet quarterly to consider patient safety issues and oversee the work of a more operational group, the Patient Safety Executive (PSE). It is hoped that two governors will be willing to join the PSC.

**Dr Mary Archer**  
**Chairman**  
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