

Membership e newsletter

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Winter membership e-newsletter

This is the easy read version of our winter membership newsletter.

You can see the full version here on our [Council of Governors and Foundation Trust Membership](#) page.

Introduction



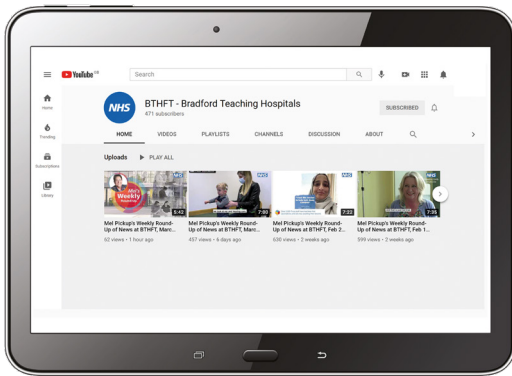
It has been nearly one year since we started tackling Covid-19.

Here at Bradford Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust we continue to do everything we can to make sure that our patients, staff and visitors are safe.



A lot of the information in this newsletter is about the Covid-19 pandemic.

There is also other news about things we are doing to improve the quality of the care we provide.



You can watch our Chief Executive's weekly news round up on our YouTube Channel at [BTHFT - Bradford Teaching Hospitals](#).

They give you the very latest information on how our hospitals are coping with Covid-19.



They also give you information about things we are doing to work towards improving our services.

Our Council of Governors and our Board of Directors have been meeting online since May 2020 to carry out their duties and responsibilities.

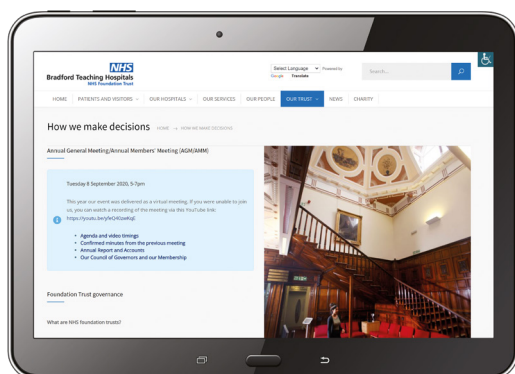


We have 2 new Non-Executive Directors.

Their names are Altaf Sadique

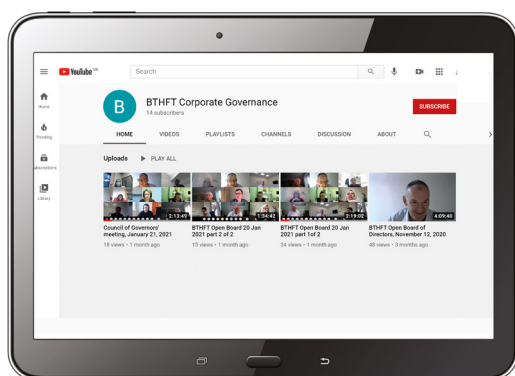


and Karen Walker.



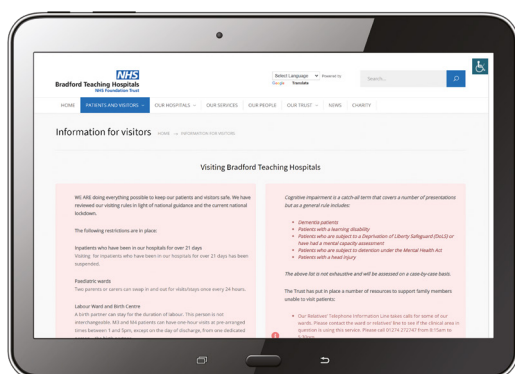
You can find out more about them on our website pages [How we make decisions](#).

We are delighted to have them join us.



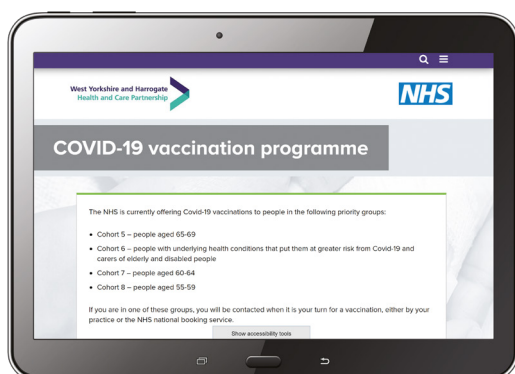
You can see our Board and Council meetings using the link [BTHFT Corporate Governance YouTube channel](#).

Please have a look and see what we do and how we make decisions.



Most visiting at the hospital is still not allowed. This is because of Covid-19 rules.

You can find the most up to date information on our [Information for visitors](#) page.



All our news items can be found on our [news page](#).

You can find out information about Covid-19 vaccinations in your area on the [West Yorkshire and Harrogate page](#).



I hope you find the information in this newsletter useful. Please do share with anyone you know.

If you would like to get in touch with me or any of our Governors we would be pleased to hear from you.

The contact details are at the end of this newsletter.

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Part 1: 2020 Review of the year special member publication



You can find a special communication from our Chief Executive, Mel Pickup by clicking [here](#).

Please note that it is not in easy read.

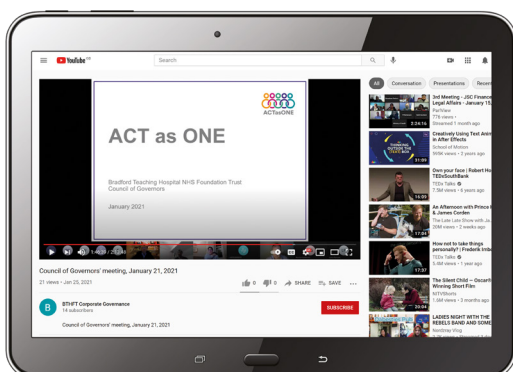
The review includes highlights from what has been a very important year for us all.

Council of Governors

April						
Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
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Our last meeting was on the 21st January 2021.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions we will carry on meeting online until at least the end of April 2021.



All of our meetings are recorded and available to look at online.

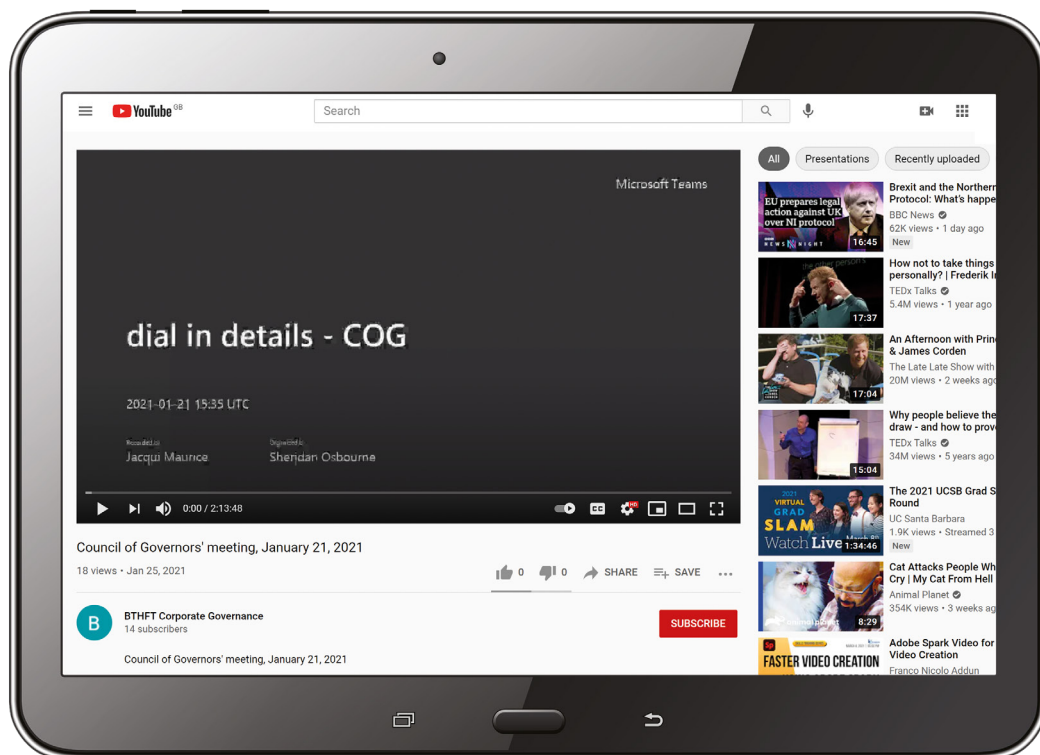
Please do have a look to see how we are delivering on our duties and responsibilities.

The meeting can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SkzzSiFPcY0>.



You can see the agenda, papers and the video timings on the [Council of Governors and Foundation Trust Membership](#) page.

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The main items that were thought about were:

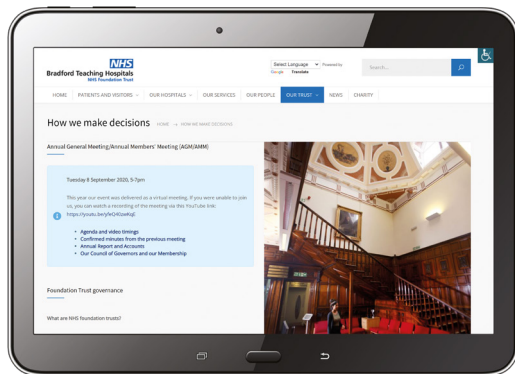
- The appointment of 2 new Non-Executive Directors who have now joined the Board of Directors
- Re-starting our work with the Membership Plan Group to develop a new membership plan
- The opportunity to hear from Mel Pickup, our Chief Executive about Act as One.

The next Council of Governors meeting is on Thursday 15th April.

You will be able to see the agenda and papers from the Friday the 9th of April.

A video of the meeting will be uploaded on Friday 16th of April.

Part 3: Board of Directors

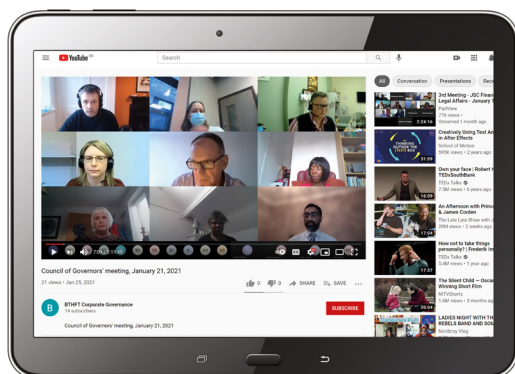


You can now see our Board meetings online.

The latest meeting was on the 20th of January 2021.

The agenda, papers and video timings are on our [How we make decisions](#) page.

You can also find the link to the video of the meeting.



I would like to encourage you to take a look at our meetings so you can see what we do.

You will find our Patient Story at about 7 minutes into the video.

It is about the experience of a senior nurse in one of our teams. She has recently recovered from Covid-19.



The next Board meeting is on Thursday 18th of March.



The video will be uploaded on the 19th of March.

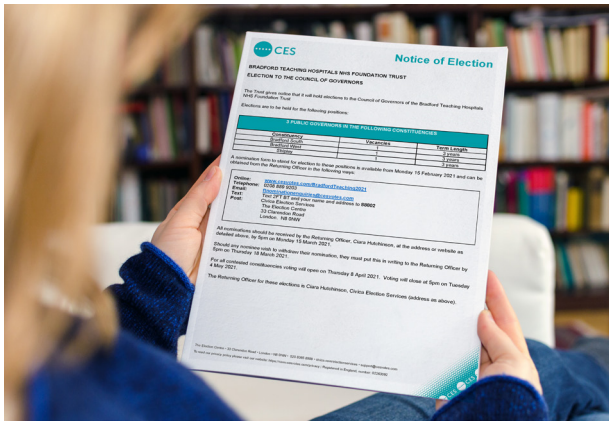
Part 4: Elections to our Council of Governors



There are 3 seats available on our Council of Governors.



The elections for these seats opened on the 15th of February.



You can see the formal notice of the election [here](#).



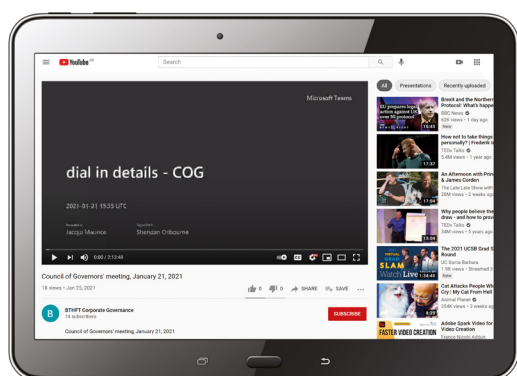
The areas are Shipley, Bradford South and Bradford West.

Part 5: ACT As One



Professor Mel Pickup, our Chief Executive has shared information about Act as One at some of our other meetings.

Act as One is about health and care services working better together to improve the health and wellbeing of everyone in Bradford District and Craven.



At our meeting on the 21st of January, Mel gave a full presentation about Act as One.

You can see the presentation on our video of the meeting at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SkzzSiFPcY0>.

It starts at about 1 hour and 45 minutes into the video.

Part 6: Mel Pickup, Chief Executive, Weekly News Round Ups (November 2020 – 2021)



Mel has recorded 16 issues of her weekly news round-ups.

Each video lasts about 6 to 7 minutes.

They are a really good way to keep up to date with what is happening in our Trust.

All the videos are available on YouTube.

Please share them with your friends, family and people you work or volunteer with.

Let us know what you think.



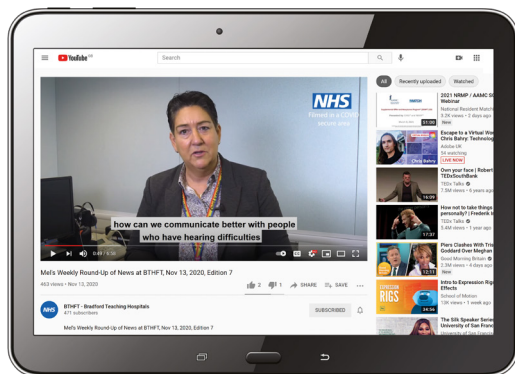
Below are the links to each round up and some of the things that Mel talks about.



6th November

<https://youtu.be/63nk5Q6CtGw>.

Mel talks about our Relatives Line which keeps patients connected with their loved ones during Covid-19.



13th November

<https://youtu.be/uEQTcWIAHfQ>.

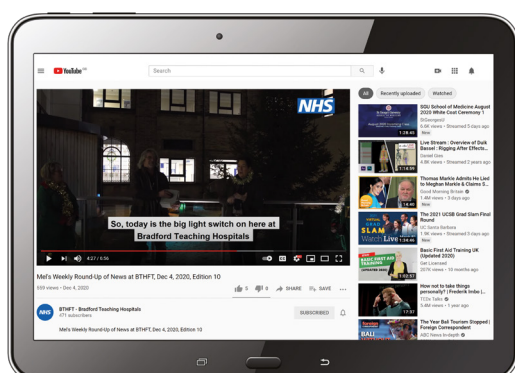
Mel talks about some helpful guidance to communicating with people who rely on lip reading when we are all wearing face masks.



20th November

<https://youtu.be/A3VRqs8yUT8>.

Mel talks about Patient Recruitment Centre and Covid-19 vaccine trials.



4th December

<https://youtu.be/EXHWspAXwec>.

This week's round up has lots of great stories including our Christmas tree light up.



18th December

<https://youtu.be/BN7kPAKrZF0>.

This week is all about the first vaccines given to the people of Bradford.



15th January

<https://youtu.be/J0ce1ALHq5U>.

As we enter 2021 Mel talks about how the vaccine roll out is going.

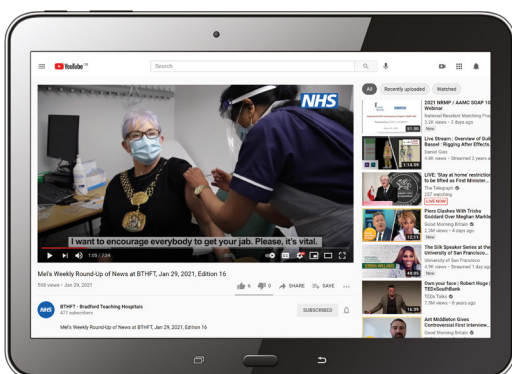
She also talks about how we were involved in the success of developing the vaccine.



22nd January

<https://youtu.be/4whU9BqzmWo>.

This week there is a look at the vaccination centre and how we are preparing the Pfizer vaccine for use.



29th January

<https://youtu.be/j8bGQaAX7Is>.

Bradford's Lord Mayor gets her vaccine and Dr Amir Khan and his mum talk about how important it is to get the vaccine.

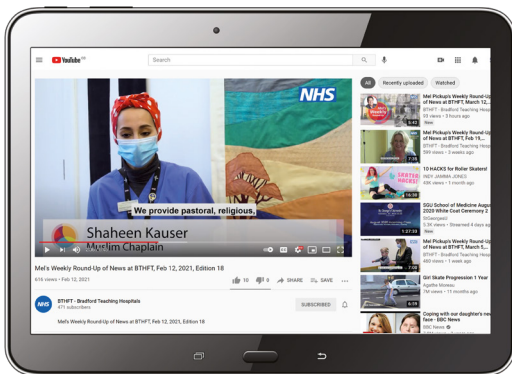
There is also Dolly the Dog!



5th February

<https://youtu.be/y8sfoiXqNxU>.

There are updates about the vaccine. Mel pays tribute to Captain Sir Tom Moore.



12th February

<https://youtu.be/E6aUCI3a-zE>.

We recognise the support that our Chaplains give to our Covid -19 patients at the end of their lives.

Part 7: Keeping up to date



Please follow our Twitter account [@bthft](https://twitter.com/bthft).

You can visit our website at www.bradfordhospitals.nhs.uk.

You can visit us at [linkedin.com/company/bradfordteachinghospitals](https://www.linkedin.com/company/bradfordteachinghospitals).



As members of our Foundation Trust your views really do matter to us.

If you have any feedback to offer or if you want to be more involved, please email me at membership@bthft.nhs.uk.

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For more about our Foundation Trust and our Governors please visit

<https://www.bradfordhospitals.nhs.uk/our-trust/council-of-governors-and-foundation-trust-membership/>.