





Winter membership e-newsletter

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

You can see the full version here on our <u>Council of Governors and Foundation Trust Membership</u> page.

Introduction



We are now heading towards nearly 2 years of when the first cases of COVID-19 were reported.

Unfortunately the pandemic is not over and we are caring for lots of people with the virus.



Our Board of Directors are still taking all possible steps to keep our hospitals, patients, visitors and staff safe.



We are now heading into the winter period.

I am sure that many of you will have followed the news about the winter pressures facing the NHS this year.



We are expecting there to be more respiratory viruses as well as the pandemic.

Respiratory viruses are in parts of your body involved in breathing.



I would like to join everyone else who is encouraging all our communities to get their COVID vaccine booster and flu jab.



There are reasons to be hopeful.

I am always impressed by all of our staff who have been working so hard to meet the challenge of COVID.



Please read about some of the great things we have done in our 'Learning from the COVID-19 pandemic' report by clicking on this <u>link</u>



You can also visit our website to find out how our Trust has been 'Caring through COVID'.

You can visit the pages by clicking on this link



Much of this newsletter is about our virtual AGM (Annual General Meeting)/AMM (Annual Members Meeting) which took place in October.

There is also important information about our Bradford Hospitals' Charity. Please share with your friends and family.



There is news of our governor elections which are happening soon.

There is an update on important things that our Council and our Boards have been addressing over the last few months.



Have you seen any of Mel's weekly news roundups? These are weekly updates that you can see on our YouTube channel.

Professor Mel Pickup is our Chief Executive. She provides reports on how our hospitals continue to manage the effects of the pandemic.

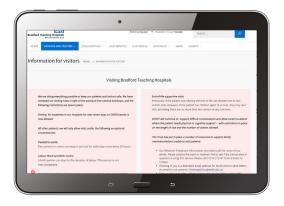
The reports feature many of the great things and people in our Trust.

Our last Council of Governors meeting took place on 21st October.



September 23

Our last Board of Directors meeting was on the 23rd of September.



The most up to date information for visitors to our hospitals can be found by clicking on this link

All our news about the Trust can be found by clicking on this link

If you want to find out more about the COVID-19 vaccination programme for our area you can click on this link.



I hope you find all of this information useful.

Please share this newsletter with people you know.



If you would like to get in touch with either myself or our Governors then we would be pleased to hear from you.

Our contact details are at the end of this newsletter.

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Part 1. Joint Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Annual Members Meeting (AMM)



Our 2021 virtual joint AGM and AMM went live on 12th October.

There are a full set of videos online which show the work we have done over the last year.

It has been a year like no other in the history of the NHS because of the pandemic.

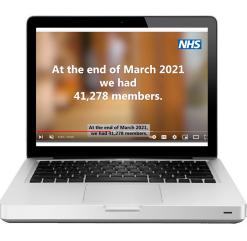
You can also hear about our plans for the next year ahead.



There are presentations on the Annual Report from our Chief Executive, Professor Mel Pickup.



There is a presentation on the Annual Accounts from Matthew Horner, our Director of Finance.



Public Governor and Vice-Chair of the Trust's Council of Governors delivers the Governors and Membership report.

There is some input from some of our Governors.

Part 2. Our Council of Governors



To go with the Governors video presentation we have published the following report.

It provides information on our governors and membership during 2020/21.

I hope you find it useful.

Part 3. Our Annual Report and Accounts

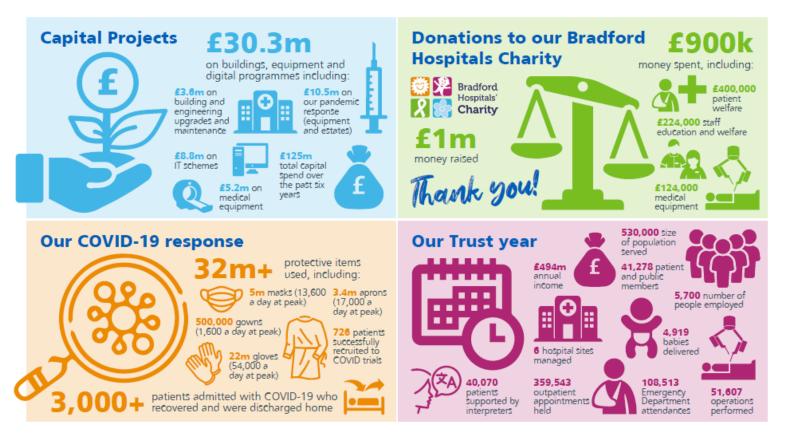
Our full Annual Report and Accounts for 2020/21 are available here.

You can see our quick to view one page summary of our year in the image below.

We Are Bradford:

2020/21 in numbers





Keynote presentation

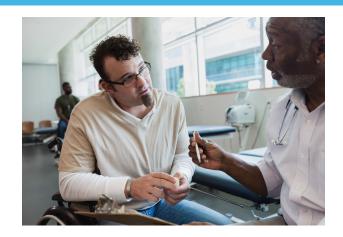


We were so pleased to have Professor Dinesh Saralaya, Respiratory Consultant deliver our keynote presentation for 2021.

Professor Saralaya is at the forefront of vaccine and drug trials in the fight against COVID-19.

In his presentation he shares how this work has helped to fight the virus and save lives all over the world.

Questions and Answers



We received some questions from members of the public in advance of our AGM/AMM.

We have themed them into the following 3 areas:

- accident and emergency
- waiting times
- restarting our services



We were pleased to have Saj Azeb, our Chief Operating Officer answering the questions.

You can see our joint virtual AGM/AMM by clicking on this link

https://www.bradfordhospitals.nhs.uk/agm2021/

You can watch it anywhere on any device.



We would be very happy to get your feedback on how we delivered the event.

It will help us to decide how to deliver it next year.

You can send your feedback or any questions you have to: membership@bthft.nhs.uk

Bradford Hospitals' Charity



Please see a message below from Bradford Hospitals' charity.

I do hope you might be able to fill in the survey so we can get as many people as possible to help us make our plans.

Bradford Hospitals' Charity is the official NHS charity partner of Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.



We work closely with the Trust to fund equipment, training, research and projects.

These things all help to make the experience of patients and their families better.

We also support staff to make sure they can give the best treatment and care.



Some of the things we do are:

- provide equipment that is not funded by the NHS to help speed up diagnosis
- upgrading kit to make patients more comfortable
- fund training which improves staff knowledge
- buy toys and equipment for our young patients to help them cope in hospital.

Our 4 funds are: Children and Young People, Cancer, Elderly and Dementia and Sunshine.



Have your say to help us grow



As a charity we believe there is more we can do.

We want to try and understand a little bit more about the people that support us and our friends.

This will help us to plan for the future and continue to grow.

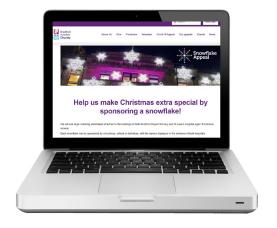


Our survey has 28 questions and will take about 10 minutes to fill in.

Everything you tell us is confidential.

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MTLD6X2

You can find out more about charity by clicking on this <u>link</u>



We have recently launched our winter **Snowflake Appeal**.

This will help us make the festive season extra special for our patients and staff.

Thank you for your support.

Board of Directors Meeting 23rd September



You can see the full meeting on our YouTube channel by clicking the link

We always start our Board meetings with a 'patient story' or a half-hour presentation giving a patients insight.



In September, our Board heard from Lynne Joyce.

Lynne talked about her recent experiences at our Trust as a patient without children.

We promise to learn from Lynne.

Her story is right at the beginning of the meeting and I would encourage you to watch it.

There are another 3 items I would like to highlight from our September meeting:

01:38:29	Research Activity in the Trust (23 minutes)
02:03:55	Organ donation (25 minutes)
03:31:57	Hospital onset COVID-19 infections (12 minutes)

November 18

All the documents and the agenda from the meeting are on our website.

Our next Board meeting takes place on the 18th November.

The video will be available at the start of the week after.

Council of Governors meeting 21 October 2021



Our last Council of Governors meeting took place on the 21st October.

The agenda and papers are all available online here.

You can also see a video of the meeting.



Please do look at the following items:

The Chairmans report

The report received from the External Auditor on the Annual Report and Accounts 2021.

An External Auditor is someone who doesn't work for the Trust.

They review the report and accounts

The Trust's Corporate Strategy refresh document

Update on the Integrated Care System and Place Developments

The draft of the Membership plan.



We also confirmed the appointment of Professor Janet Hirst, our new Non-Executive Director.

She will be representing the Leeds Medical School (Leeds University).

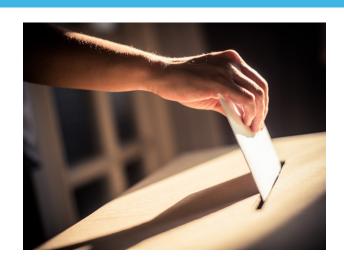
You can find out more about Janet by clicking here.



The next Council of Governors meeting is on Thursday 27th January 2022.

It will be recorded and uploaded to our YouTube channel the following week.

Election to our Council of Governors



Our next elections process will start in January 2022 and close at the end of March 2022.

The confirmed schedule will be published on our website and shared with our Foundation Trust members.



We will be seeking to fill nine seats.

The areas they cover are:

- Keighley (2 seats)
- Bradford East (2 seats)
- Bradford South (1 seat)
- Staff Governor Nursing and Midwifery (1 seat)
- Staff Governor Medical and Dental (1 seat)
- Patient (1 seat)



If you would like to check to see if you are able to stand for election you can see the eligibility criteria here

If you are interested in standing for election and would like to know more you can contact us at membership@bthft.nhs.uk

If you know someone who would make a good governor then please share this information with them.

Professor Mel Pickup, Chief Executive's weekly news round-ups



Our Chief Executive, Mel Pickup, has recorded 52 editions of her weekly news round-ups.

They each last about 6 to 7 minutes.

They are a really good way to keep up to date with all that is happening at our Trust.



The videos are all on our BTHFT YouTube channel.

You can subscribe by clicking here

The summary of all the roundups is below.

Please share with your family and friends and let us know what you think.



3rd September

This week we get a look behind the scenes at a move of medical records from St. Lukes.

We highlight a campaign urging patients to treat our A & E staff with respect while they do their job.



10th September

This week we look at how we're developing virtual services to change the way in which we deliver hospital care.

There is also news about World Patient Day and how we care for our mums and babies in maternity.



24th September

This week we unveil our new Spiritual, Pastoral and Religious care (SPaRC) team. This is a redesign of our hospital chaplaincy service.

We also talk about Organ Donation Week and call on people to talk to their families about their organ donation decision.



8th October

In this week's round-up we look inside our newly re-opened vaccination hub.

This is where we are rolling out the COVID-19 booster jabs to colleagues.



22nd October

In this week's round-up we show our support for the police's Hate Hurts campaign to tackle hate crime.

We want anyone who is a victim of hate crime to feel confident enough to report it.



29th October

This week we hear about how the COVID-19 vaccination programme for 12-15 year olds is happening in the district.

We also hear about an amazing new hypnobirthing course for mums-to-be is being launched by our maternity team.



5th November

We visit our Ophthalmology department where staff have developed a new eye test for children with learning disabilities.

It's Medicines Safety Week so there is a chance to meet our first Medication Safety Officer.

Keeping up to date



Please follow our Twitter account <u>@bthft</u> and visit our website to keep up to date with what is happening.

www.bradfordhospitals.nhs.uk



You can also follow on <u>Facebook</u> and subscribe to our <u>YouTube channel</u>.



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

If you have any feedback you'd like to offer 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/.