

Membership
e newsletter

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Spring membership e-newsletter

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



This is the easy read version of my spring e-newsletter to our foundation trust members.

You can see the full version [here](#)



Whilst there are no more COVID-19 restrictions across the country we still need to make sure that our hospitals, patients and staff carry on staying safe.



The virus is still going around our communities and infection rates are going up again all over the country.

To keep everyone safe you can find the most up to date information to support visitors to our hospitals [here](#).

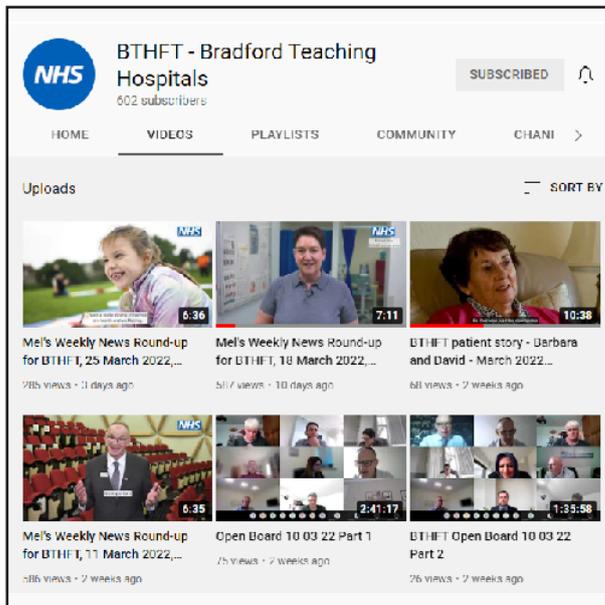


Healthcare leaders in Bradford also want to remind everyone that you must carry on following rules in all healthcare settings like GP surgeries and hospitals.

This includes wearing a face covering (unless you are exempt), staying away from others (social distancing) and washing or sanitising your hands.

You can read more about this [here](#).

Useful links



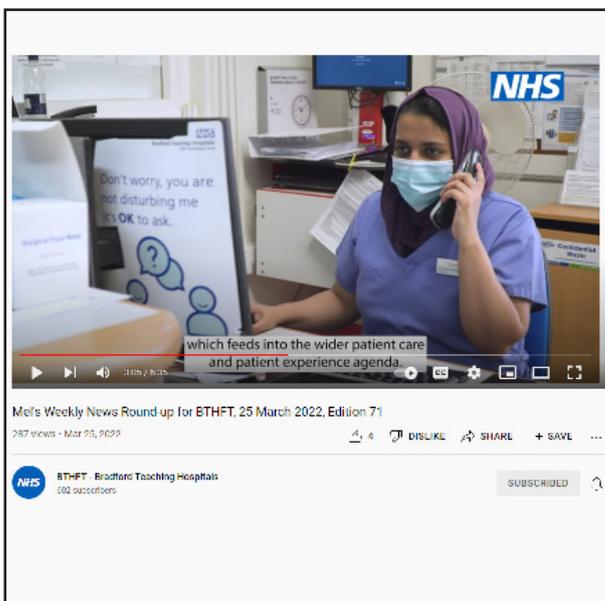
Have you seen any of Mel's weekly news roundups?

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.



She also talks about how we are working to make our services better.

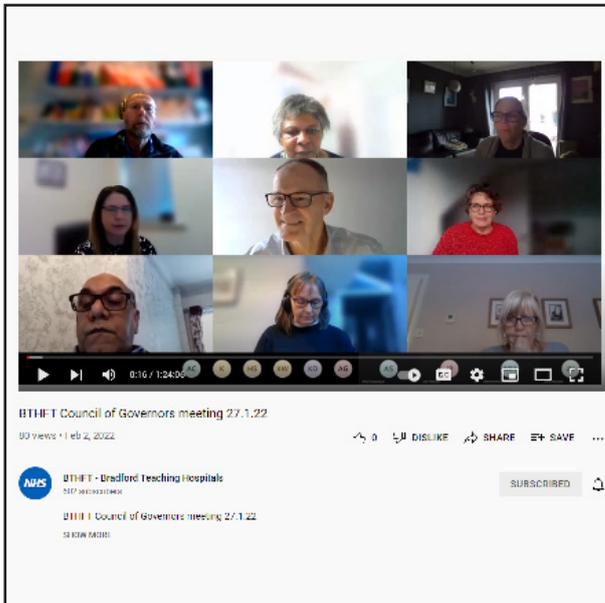
Most importantly the reports show many of the great ideas and successes happening all across the Trust and the great people behind them.

Near the end of this bulletin I have included direct links to the most recent ones.

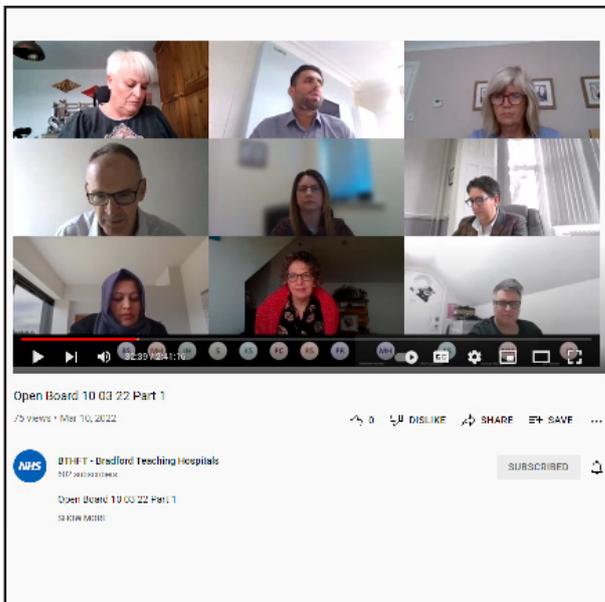
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Our most recent Board of Directors meeting was on the 10th of March.

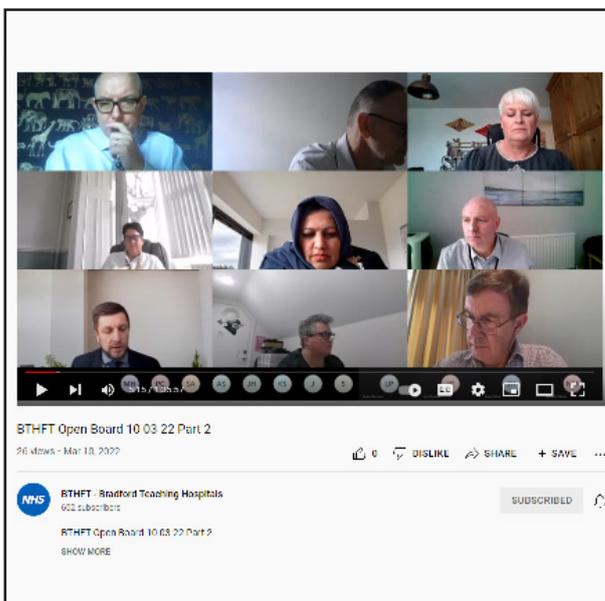
You can see our council meeting [here](#)

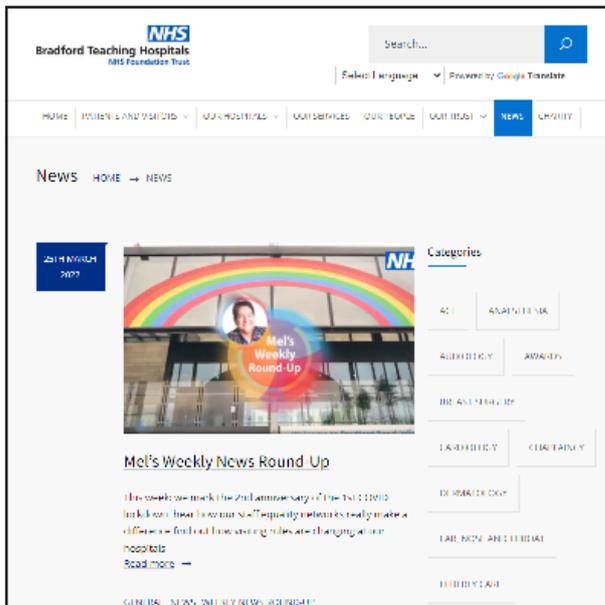


Part 1 of our Board of Directors meeting is [here](#)

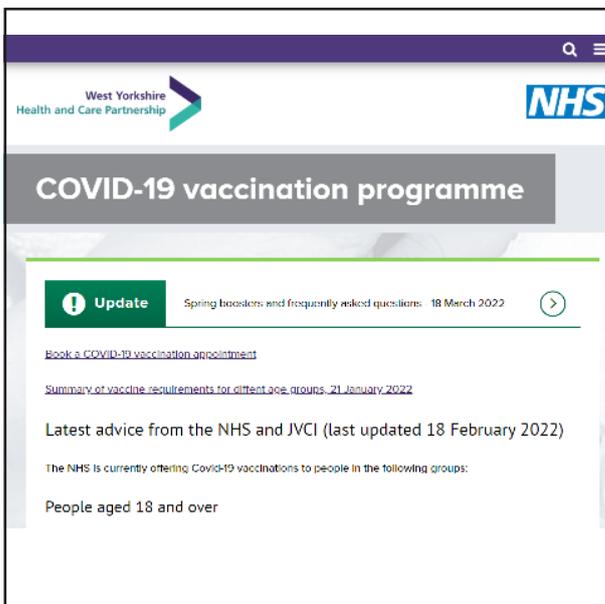


Part 2 is [here](#)

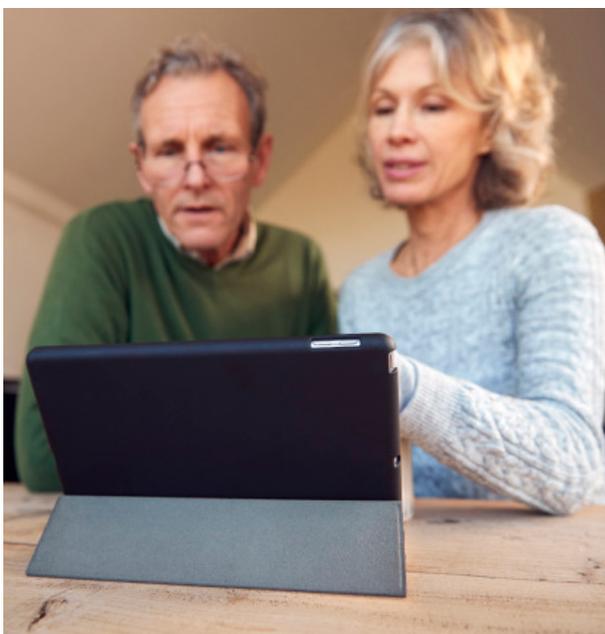




All our Trust news can be found [here](#).



If you want to find out about the COVID-19 vaccination programme for our area please click [here](#).



I hope you find all the information in this newsletter useful.

Please share it with people you know.

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

Our contact details are at the end.

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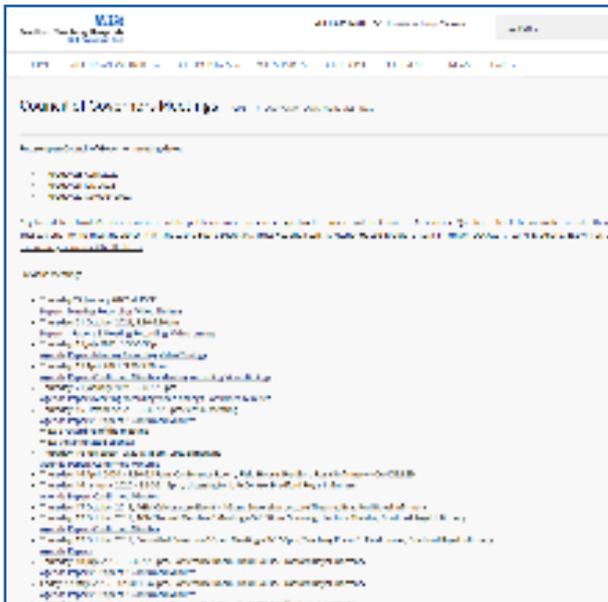
1. Council of Governors quarterly meeting 27th January 2022



Our Council meetings take place quarterly; this is once every 3 months.

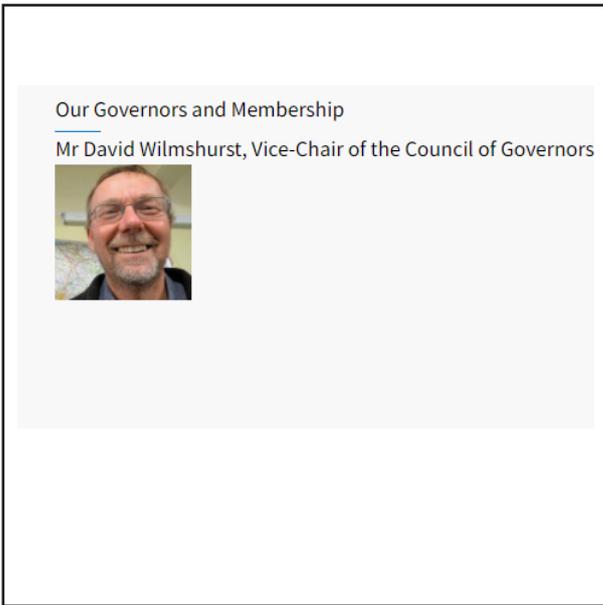
Our meeting in January was shorter than usual.

This was so our Trust could free up time for our Executives and staff to manage the effects of the Omicron variant of COVID-19.



You can find the agenda and meeting papers [here](#).

I thought it might be useful to draw out a couple of important decisions and items from the last meeting.



- **Chairman's reappointment:** Due to my interest in this item, David Wilmhurst, Vice-Chair of Governors took charge for this item.

The Council approved the recommendations from the committee.

There will be more details included in the Trust's Annual Report for 2021-2022.



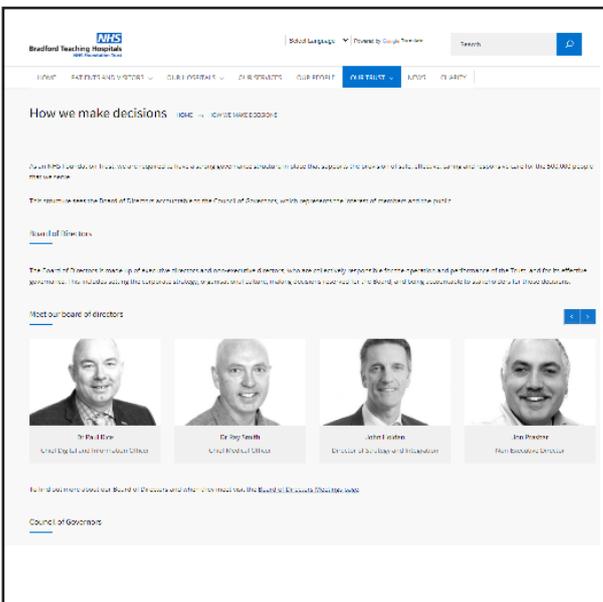
- **Executive update:** John Holden, Director of Strategy and Integration, Sajid Azeb, Chief Operating Officer and Pat Campbell, Director of HR discussed with Governors;

The Omicron variant and how the Trust would work through this

Our Trusts Inpatient Survey analysis

Value for money in the independent sector

Compulsory vaccinations for staff

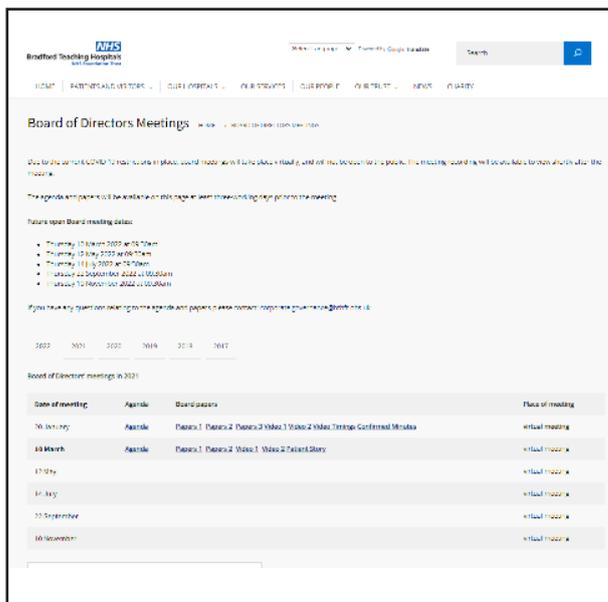


The agenda and papers from our meeting are all available on the Trust website [here](#).

You can also find a recording of the meeting.

You can find out more about our Governors and what they do [here](#)

2. Board of Directors bi-monthly meeting on 10th March 2022



Board of Directors Meetings

Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions in place, several Board meetings will take place virtually, and will be open for the public. The meeting held next will be a public Board meeting which will be held on 10th March 2022.

The agenda and papers will be available on this page at least one working day prior to the meeting.

Future open Board meeting dates:

- Thursday 10 March 2022 at 10:00am
- Thursday 27 July 2022 at 10:00am
- Thursday 11 July 2023 at 10:00am
- Thursday 22 September 2023 at 10:00am
- Monday 10 March 2024 at 10:00am

If you have any questions relating to the agenda and papers, please contact: corporate.governance@bradfordnhs.uk

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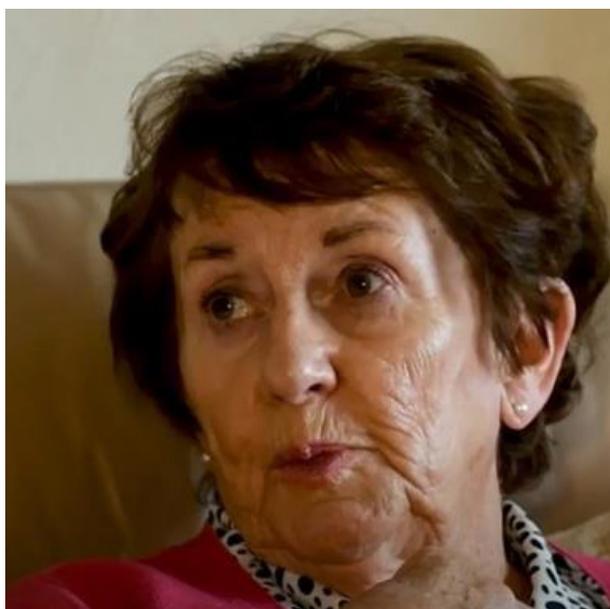
Board of Director meetings in 2022

Date of meeting	Agenda	Board papers	Place of meeting
26 January	Agenda	Papers 1, Papers 2, Papers 3, Video 1, Video 2, Video 3, Video 4, Video 5, Video 6, Video 7, Video 8, Video 9, Video 10, Video 11, Video 12, Video 13, Video 14, Video 15, Video 16, Video 17, Video 18, Video 19, Video 20, Video 21, Video 22, Video 23, Video 24, Video 25, Video 26, Video 27, Video 28, Video 29, Video 30, Video 31, Video 32, Video 33, Video 34, Video 35, Video 36, Video 37, Video 38, Video 39, Video 40, Video 41, Video 42, Video 43, Video 44, Video 45, Video 46, Video 47, Video 48, Video 49, Video 50, Video 51, Video 52, Video 53, Video 54, Video 55, Video 56, Video 57, Video 58, Video 59, Video 60, Video 61, Video 62, Video 63, Video 64, Video 65, Video 66, Video 67, Video 68, Video 69, Video 70, Video 71, Video 72, Video 73, Video 74, Video 75, Video 76, Video 77, Video 78, Video 79, Video 80, Video 81, Video 82, Video 83, Video 84, Video 85, Video 86, Video 87, Video 88, Video 89, Video 90, Video 91, Video 92, Video 93, Video 94, Video 95, Video 96, Video 97, Video 98, Video 99, Video 100	Virtual meeting
10 March	Agenda	Papers 1, Papers 2, Video 1, Video 2, Video 3, Video 4, Video 5, Video 6, Video 7, Video 8, Video 9, Video 10, Video 11, Video 12, Video 13, Video 14, Video 15, Video 16, Video 17, Video 18, Video 19, Video 20, Video 21, Video 22, Video 23, Video 24, Video 25, Video 26, Video 27, Video 28, Video 29, Video 30, Video 31, Video 32, Video 33, Video 34, Video 35, Video 36, Video 37, Video 38, Video 39, Video 40, Video 41, Video 42, Video 43, Video 44, Video 45, Video 46, Video 47, Video 48, Video 49, Video 50, Video 51, Video 52, Video 53, Video 54, Video 55, Video 56, Video 57, Video 58, Video 59, Video 60, Video 61, Video 62, Video 63, Video 64, Video 65, Video 66, Video 67, Video 68, Video 69, Video 70, Video 71, Video 72, Video 73, Video 74, Video 75, Video 76, Video 77, Video 78, Video 79, Video 80, Video 81, Video 82, Video 83, Video 84, Video 85, Video 86, Video 87, Video 88, Video 89, Video 90, Video 91, Video 92, Video 93, Video 94, Video 95, Video 96, Video 97, Video 98, Video 99, Video 100	Virtual meeting
17 May			Virtual meeting
14 July			Virtual meeting
22 September			Virtual meeting
10 November			Virtual meeting

Our Board meetings take place every two months. We held our last one on 10th of March.

I do hope you have the chance to watch. The links are above.

I would like to highlight a few items from our last meeting.

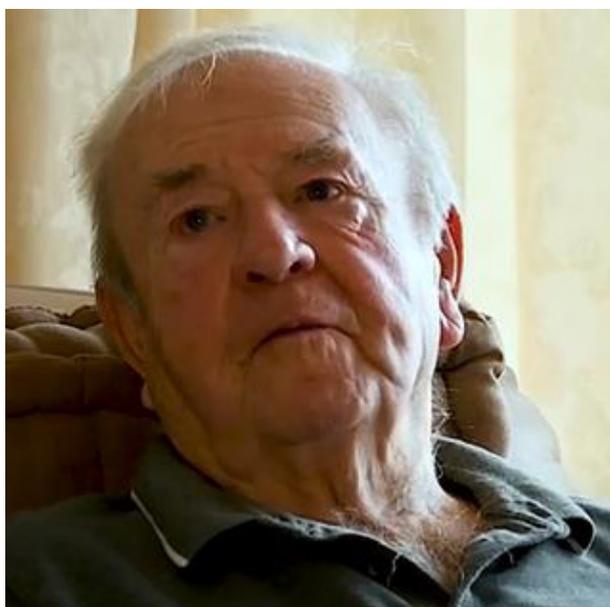


Patient Story

We always start our Board meetings with either a patient story or a look at our Trust services.

In March we heard from [Barbara and David](#).

Their story looks at their journey at our hospitals during the COVID pandemic after David suffered a stroke.



We are pleased that David is recovering well.

We appreciate the in depth feedback both Barbara and David gave us.

The video is about 10 minutes long. The discussion at the Board is about 22 minutes long.

You can watch it [here](#).



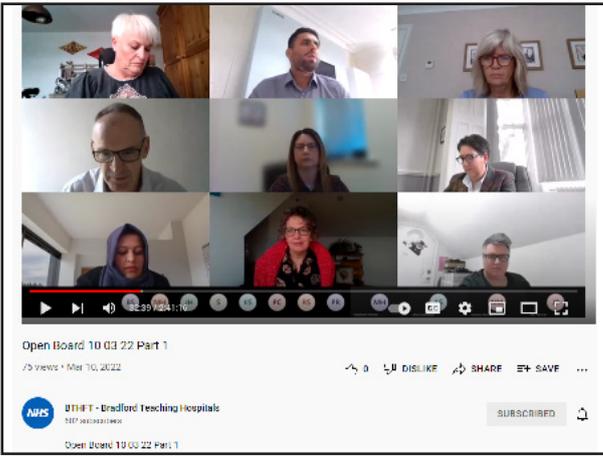
Chief Executive's Report

I would like to encourage our members to look at Mel Pickup's report.

She gives an excellent overview on how our hospitals are working. She talks about our patients, our staff and the delivery of services.

Mel also reports on our partnership working.

You can find her report at 41.25 minutes into the video [here](#). It lasts for about 20 minutes.



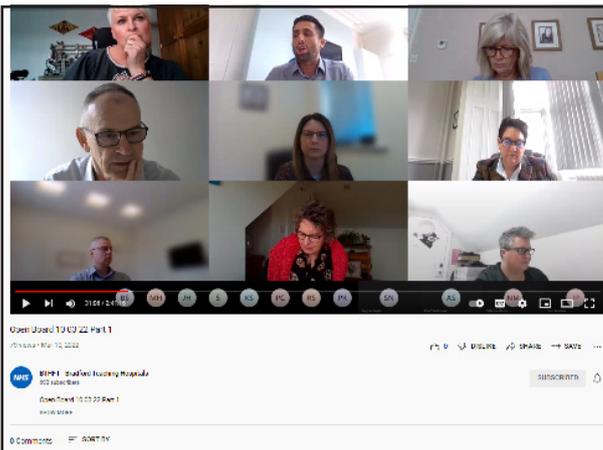
Outstanding Maternity Services (OMS) Programme: Outstanding Neo-natal services

In 2019 the Trust was rated as Good overall by the CQC (Care Quality Commission). We did have some improvements we needed to make to our Maternity services.



Since January 2020 our Board has received very detailed reports on our maternity services. They have also seen lots of improvements to move us towards an outstanding rating from the CQC.

At this [meeting](#) we welcomed members of the Neo-natal team. They told us how they are starting their improvement journey.

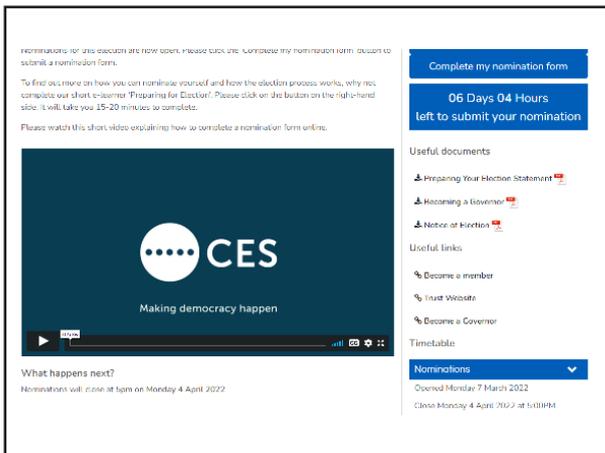


3. Governor Elections Process Underway with Search for Nominees



You will have received some emails about our current elections process which launched on the 7th March.

Our election nomination is underway and will close on the 4th of April.



I would really like to encourage as many people as possible to put themselves forward for these roles.

A nomination form and other information is available [here](#).



As a governor you will represent the interests of members and our communities.

You will have a key role to play in the development of our hospitals.

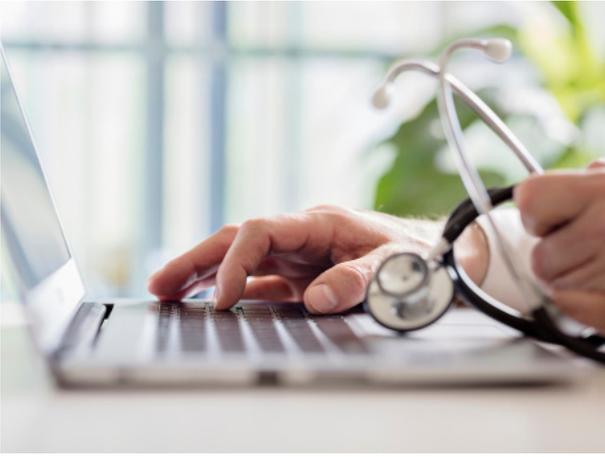


We provide a good induction and training to the roles.

Take a look at our being a Governor document and see if the role is right for you.

We would be pleased to hear from you.

4. Special Briefing from Professor John Wright, Director of Research



As we are a teaching hospital, research is a core activity.

We have over 500 research projects taking place across the Trust.



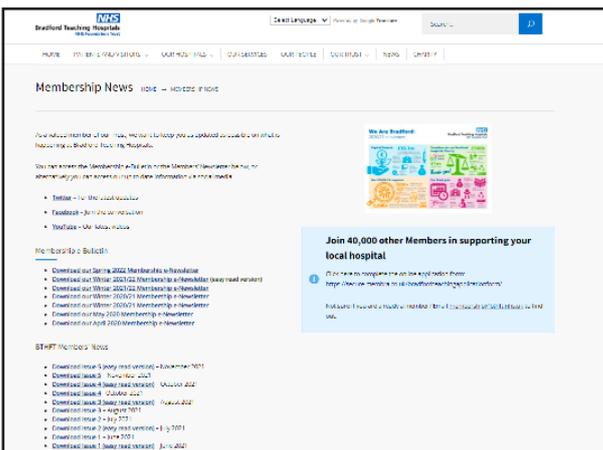
In this edition John Wright, our Director of Research, talks about some of the research that has taken place over the last 12 months.

He talks about how the research is improving the health and wellbeing of the people who live in the Bradford district and beyond.



During the pandemic some of the research was put on hold. Most of it has now started again.

Over 8,500 people have been recruited into our research studies.



Here is some information about some of our research projects.

You can find more information in the full version of this newsletter [here](#)



Born in Bradford (BiB)

Born in Bradford is an internationally recognised research programme.

It aims to find out what keeps families happy and healthy.



We use this information to work with the local authority, health education and voluntary sector providers to improve population health.



Evidence from Born in Bradford has already helped to uncover the harm of air pollution and lots of other things.



In January the BiB team were pleased to announce the launch of their new Age of Wonder study.



Ageing and Stroke Research

Professor Andy Clegg, with colleagues from Leeds, Liverpool and Manchester has won a research grant award.

The award aims to help cut down on over prescribing of medicines in primary care.

Primary care is the care you get from GP's.



Quality and Safety Research

Our Quality and Safety team have just made an application to renew the Patient Safety Translational Research Centres funding.

They are also working on a project to improve how patients and families are involved in investigations after a serious healthcare incident.



City of Research

Last year, to encourage more volunteers from across Bradford, Airedale and Craven we launched our City of Research.

By joining the research registry people can choose from many different ways in which they can take part in our research.

If you are interested in signing up please go to www.cityofresearch.org.uk



Improvement Academy

The latest report was published in January.

It shows NHS staffs experiences of working under intense pressure for a long time.

It has four offers of support that are designed to respond to immediate need and learn new ways to help.

The report is for everyone who has an interest in our health care services and who cares about all the staff in the NHS.



NIHR National Patient Recruitment Centre (PRC): Bradford

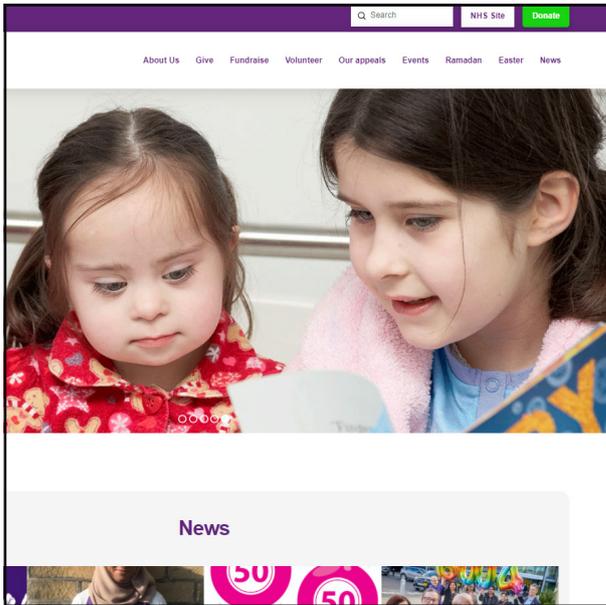
Our PRC is one of 5 regionally based centres.

Our PRC team has continued to lead the delivery of Novavax vaccine trial in Bradford.

This is a vaccine for COVID-19.
One of the other current studies is the PERTUSSIS trial.

This is for whooping cough.

5. Bradford Hospital's Charity



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. Our 4 funds are:

Children and young people

Cancer

Elderly and dementia

Sunshine. This is everything else.

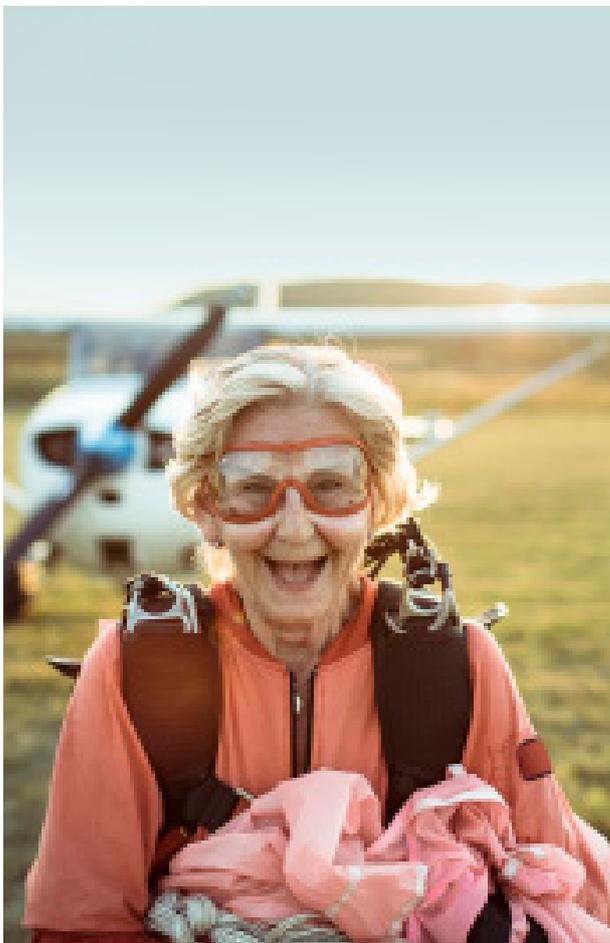


We have lots of different events coming up in 2022 that you might be interested in.

They include:

10k your way – run, swim, walk or cycle 10k. You can do this on your own or as part of an event.

Yorkshire Three Peaks – Hike a total of 24 miles up Pen-Y-Ghent, Whernside, and Ingleborough.



Sky Dive 2022 – Take part in a tandem sky dive.

Bradford Dragon Boat Festival – Join one of our 10 boats and do some rowing to raise money.

You can find out more by clicking [here](#)

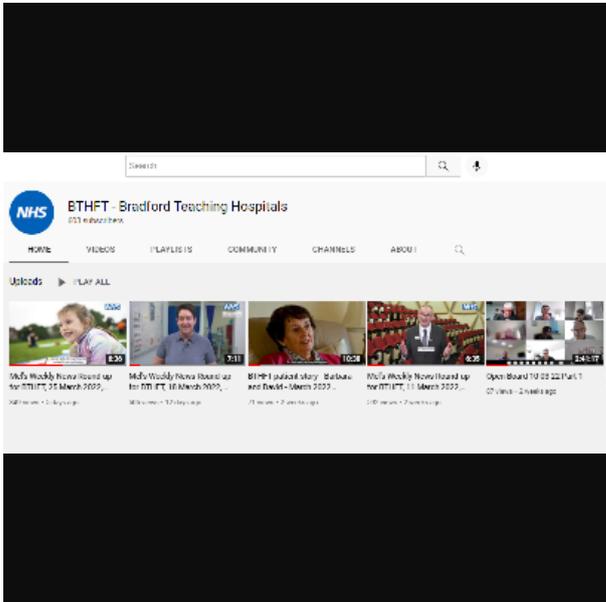
6. Professor Mel Pickup, Chief Executive's weekly news round-ups



Our Chief Executive, Mel Pickup, has now recorded 69 editions of her weekly news round-ups.

They each last about 6 to 7 minutes.

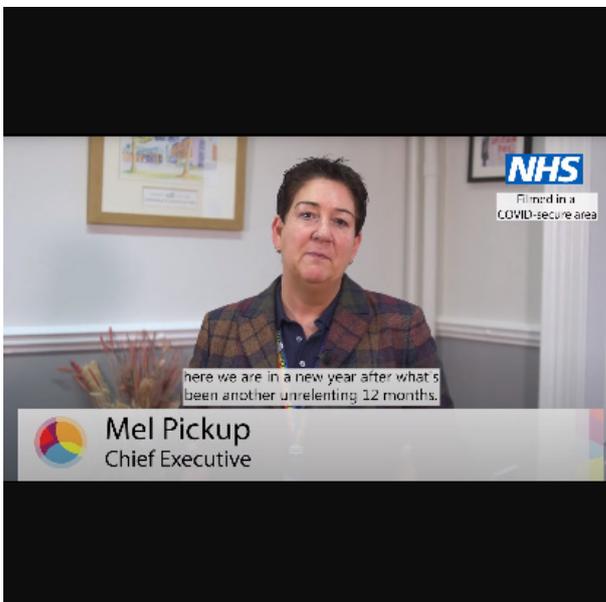
They are a really good way to keep up to date with what is happening at our Trust.



The videos are all available on our BTHFT YouTube channel. You can subscribe to it [here](#).

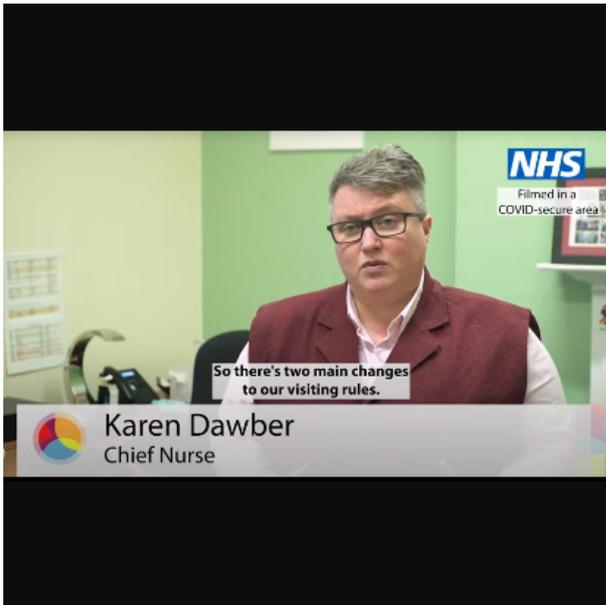
Here are some links to Mel's news round-ups.

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



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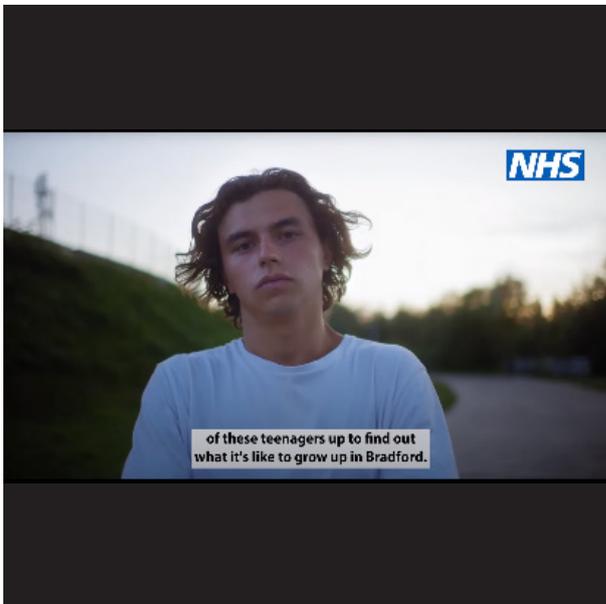
This week there is a special New Year message from Mel and our Trust Chairman Max Mclean.



- 14th January <https://t.co/k6hykW1sZq>

This week our Chief Nurse, Karen Dawber, explains new visiting rules at our hospitals.

There's news of 2 trials our Ophthalmology (eye) department is running.

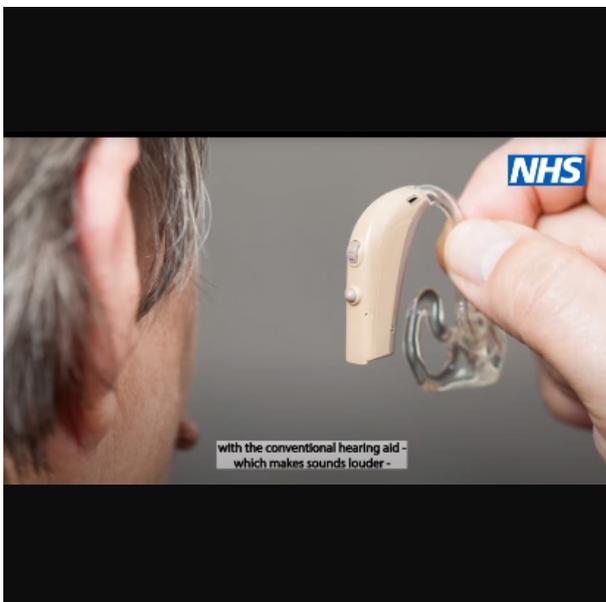


- 21st January <https://bit.ly/3nK49Kd>

As part of Dry January we learn how to love our liver and stay healthy.

Born in Bradford launches its latest research project, Age of Wonder.

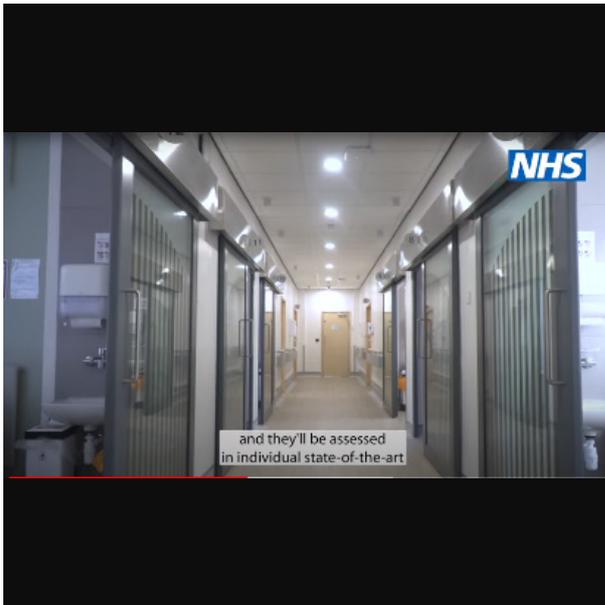
We also hear from our oldest hospital radio DJ, Patrick.



- 4th February <https://bit.ly/3J3zDDf>

This week we share news of an exciting clinical trial on hearing loss which is taking place at our Listening for Life Centre.

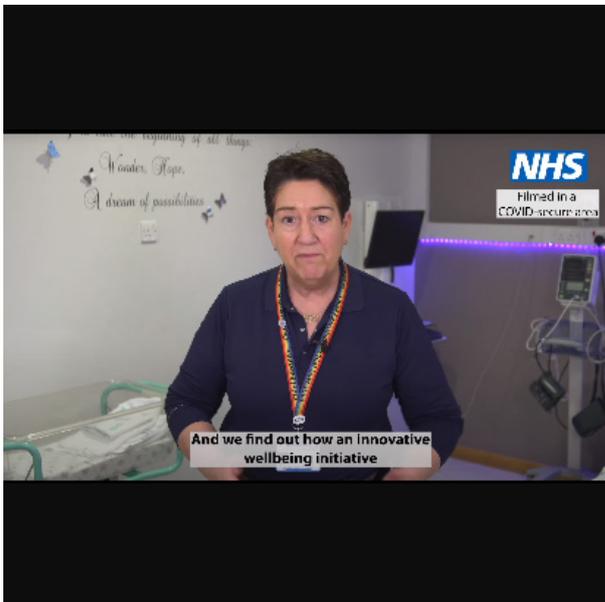
There's news about Race Equality Week and LGBT+ History month.



- 11th February <https://youtu.be/eOSd3ztZraw>

This week we show you around our new Acute Surgical Unit. You can also hear how we're backing Bradford's bid to become the next UK City of Culture in 2025.

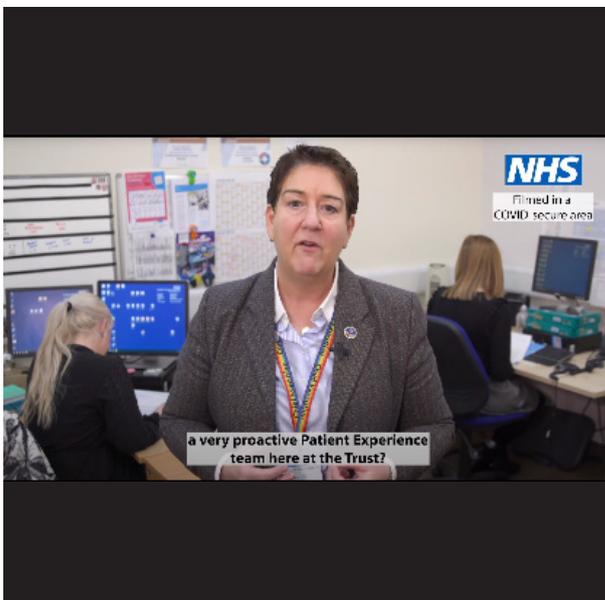
We celebrate Novavax becoming the 5th COVID-19 vaccine.



- 18th February <https://bit.ly/3H03oDt>

This week we hear about the launch of a new coaching pilot for student nurses and midwives.

There is news about a big recruitment campaign for healthcare assistants.



- 25th February <https://bit.ly/3sfi1yK>

We put the spotlight on our work our Patient Experience Team does in getting valuable feedback from our patients, their visitors and their families.



- 4th March

<https://bit.ly/372XR2Q>

This week we are stepping back in time to look at Bradford's health and wellbeing 50 years ago.

To mark World Hearing Day we hear how our hi-tech Listening for Life Centre is changing the life of patients here and in Africa.

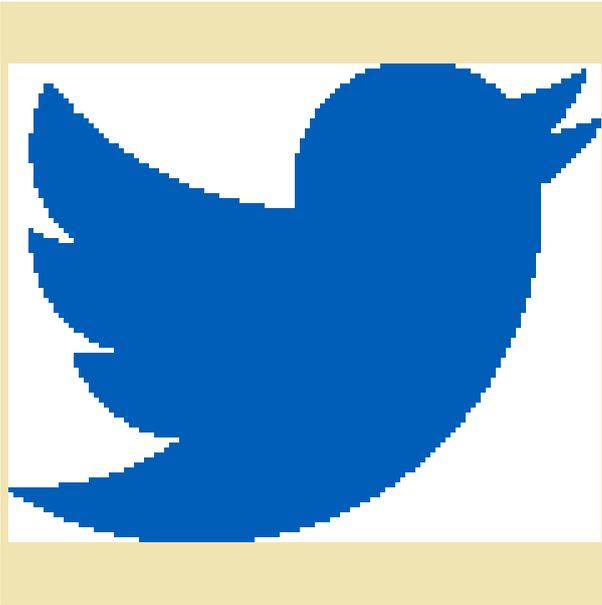


- 11th March

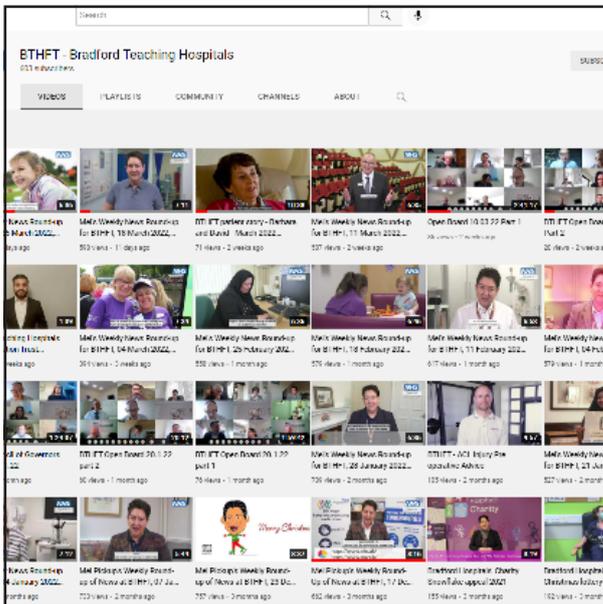
<https://bit.ly/3t2DriZ>

Having celebrated International Women's Day this week we are putting the spotlight on our new Early Pregnancy Assessment and Treatment centre.

Keeping up to date



Please follow us on [Twitter@bthft](https://twitter.com/bthft) and visit our website www.bradfordhospitals.nhs.uk to keep up to date with what's happening.



You can also follow us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/bthft) and subscribe to our [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...) channel.



As a member 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