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Date	20 October 2022	Agenda item	CGo.10.22.7

Chairman's Report

Presented by	Dr Maxwell Mclean, Chairman		
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Governance Responsibility	Dr Maxwell Mclean, Chairman		
Purpose of the paper	This report provides an update to the Council of Governors on key items since the previous report provided in July 2022.		
Action required	To note		
Previously discussed at/informed by	N/A		
Previously approved at:	Committee/Group	Date	

1. Our Autumn/Winter Governor Elections Schedule



Our Governor election process is now well underway with the call for nominations. I have hosted two virtual sessions (supported by Governors and members of the Corporate Governance Team) for interested individuals. These have gone well and it has been very pleasing to see quite a few members of staff attending these events.

As a reminder we are seeking Governors to fill the following seats on our Council.

- Patient (out of Bradford) (2)
- Bradford South (1)
- Rest of England and Wales (1)
- Keighley (1)
- Shipley (1)
- Bradford West (1)
- Allied Health Professionals and Scientists (AHPS) (1)

The full election schedule is included below.

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Election Stage		
Notice of Election / nomination open	Monday, 19 Sep 2022	
Nominations deadline	Monday, 17 Oct 2022	
Summary of valid nominated candidates published	Tuesday, 18 Oct 2022	
Final date for candidate withdrawal	Thursday, 20 Oct 2022	
Notice of Poll published	Monday, 7 Nov 2022	
Voting packs despatched	Tuesday, 8 Nov 2022	
Close of election	Thursday, 1 Dec 2022	
Declaration of results	Friday, 2 Dec 2022	

2. Governors Nominations and Remuneration Committee (NRC)

I am pleased to advise that Raquel Lucas, Staff Governor Nursing and Midwifery, our newest member of the Council's Governors Nominations and Remuneration Committee joined her first meeting on Monday 10 October.



3. Annual General Meeting (AGM) / Annual Members Meeting (AMM) 2022

Arrangements are continuing to progress with regard to the delivery of our AGM/AMM. As a reminder this is scheduled for Monday 31 October 2022 from 5pm to 7pm in the Sovereign Lecture Theatre here at Bradford Royal Infirmary. The event is being well publicised amongst our staff, our members and the public. In addition to presenting the Annual Report and Accounts 2022 the special presentation will be delivered by Cat Shutt, Head of Organisational Development and Laura Booth, Quality Lead patient Experience. They will cover the work of our Trust regarding 'Kindness and Civility'.

Another year like no other...

Hear about how our Trust has performed over the last year - in particular how we have dealt with the continued impact of COVID-19. Followed by our special presentation on:

Embedding Kindness and Civility

"Civility saves lives..."

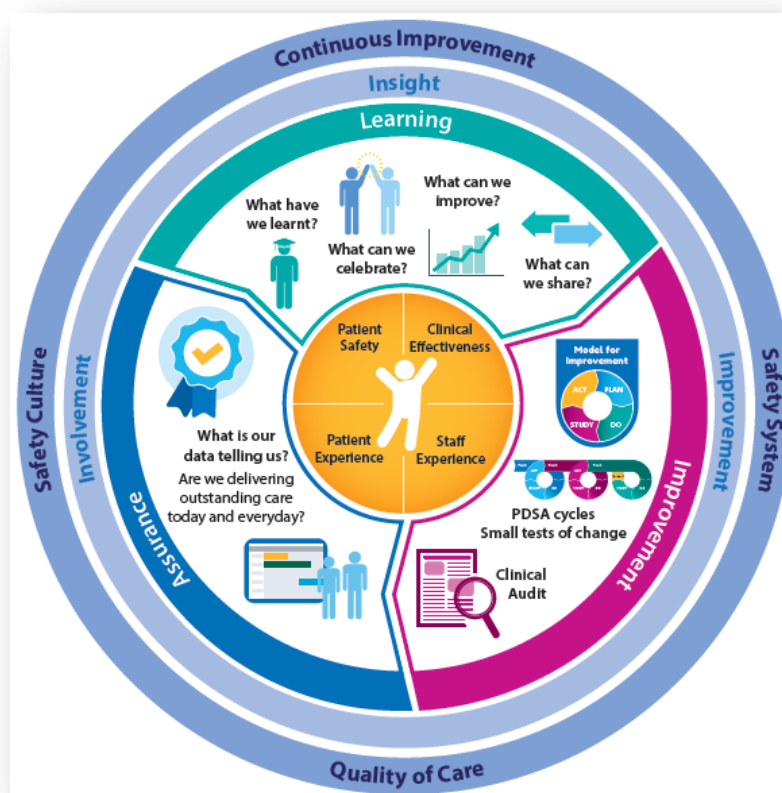
Hear about how we are embedding a culture of kindness and civility to make the Trust a great place to work, and ultimately improve outcomes for our patients.

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4. Quality Account Improvement Priorities

We have two sessions coming up to support engagement with Governors on the Trust's Quality Account Improvement Priorities. The date for the first session is currently being finalised and is expected to take place towards the end of November / early December. This session will provide Governors with an update on progress with regard to the improvement priorities set for 2022/23. The second session is scheduled for Thursday 23 February and will seek to engage governors on the setting of quality account improvement Priorities for 2023/24. I do hope that as many governors as possible are able to attend.

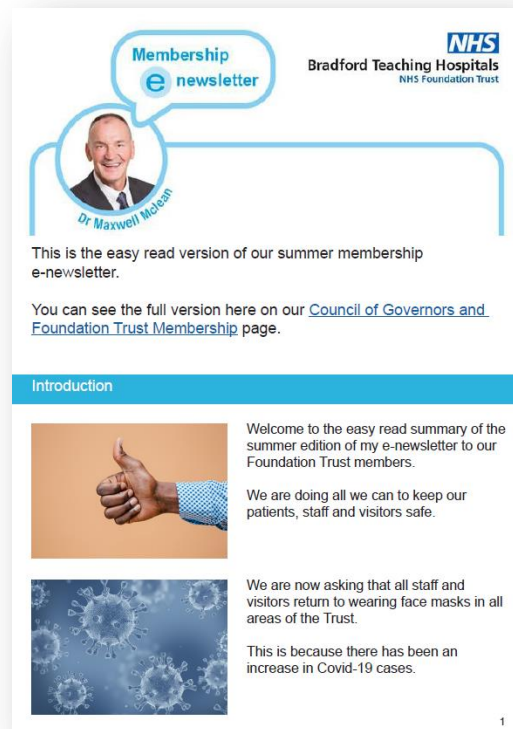
The Trust is required to publish a Quality Account annually. It is a report about the quality of services offered by an NHS healthcare provider. Quality Accounts are an important way for local NHS services to report on quality and show improvements in the services they deliver to local communities and stakeholders. The quality of the services is measured by looking at patient safety, the effectiveness of treatments patients receive, and patient feedback about the care provided. The Trust's most recent Quality Account is available [here](#). The figure below shows our BTHFT approach to Quality. This has been developed and refined over the last couple of years and is becoming embedded in practice.



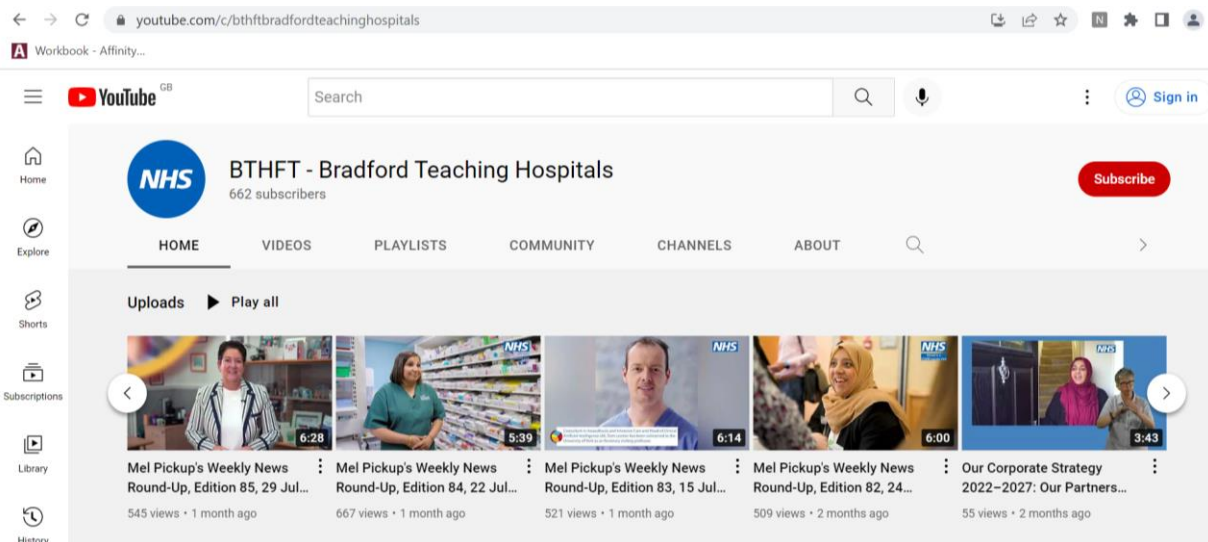
5. Members' Summer Bulletin and other communications

At the end of July our quarterly bulletin to public and patient members and, our staff was widely circulated. The bulletin is available on the Trust website [here](#) along with the easy read version.

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Our members have also been in regular receipt of the links to the videos featuring key stories from our trust. These can be accessed on the Trust's you Tube channel [here](#).



Following a review of the frequency of Communications by the Membership Plan Delivery Group, and a change in focus of the Chief Executive's weekly vlogs; our members will now receive a monthly news round-up rather than information emailed weekly. Our members will however continue to receive the comprehensive quarterly e-bulletins.

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6. Key Trust Communications for Governors

Key communications continue to be shared with Governors so that Council members remain in touch with developments at our Trust. Governors continue to have access to Let's Talk (staff newsletter), global emails to staff.

7. Joint Session: Governors and Non-Executive Directors

Our next joint session is scheduled for Thursday 20 October 2022 from 2.15pm to 3.15pm (prior to the Council of Governors meeting). The outcomes from this session will be reported later that afternoon at the Council meeting.

8. My quarterly meeting with Governors

My next quarterly meeting with Governors will take place during January 2023 however the date is yet to be confirmed. Any issues arising from the session will be shared with the relevant Directors and feedback will be provided at the 26 January 2023 Council of Governors meeting.

Recommendation

The Council of Governors is asked to note this report.