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Members'news



Dear Members,

See below for recent news on our hospitals and also see the special reports from our Chief Executive, Mel Pickup

Received excellent care? Nominate an individual or team for our Brilliant Bradford Awards 2025

Our Brilliant Bradford Awards is our annual event that honours the incredible individuals who help make Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust truly exceptional. Nominations for the awards come from our colleagues, however this year we are opening up one of the categories so that members of the public can also submit a nomination for an individual or team that has delivered care for them or their loved ones.

The We Care Award is all about celebrating someone – clinical or non-clinical – who lives and breathes our Trust value '*we care*' and inspires those around them through compassion and dedication. If you would like to nominate someone, or a team, for the We Care Award you just need to complete this nomination form:

<https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=uqyloWq3CU2FBYio-fBI4wCKv2bN2BCg5NEDEMnOT1URExDTkgyUTNRRFITMFZTSjhIRIIPofZJSS4u&route=shorturl>

Please hurry though as entries must be submitted before the closing date of Friday, 22 August.

COMING SOON: Elections to our Council of Governors

Bradford Teaching Hospitals will hold elections to appoint 4 public representatives and 2 patient representatives to its Council of Governors and is looking for people to nominate themselves to stand from **Tuesday 9th September 2025**.

We are looking for people of all ages and from different backgrounds to become Governors to reflect and represent the diverse communities that we serve here at Bradford Teaching Hospitals. We are seeking governors for each of the following public/patient membership constituencies:

- 1 x Bradford West
- 1 x Bradford South
- 2 x Shipley
- 2 x Patient Governors (those who live outside of the Bradford District are – or their Carers - but have been referred to our Trust for treatment)

How to nominate yourself:

- You can nominate yourself for the elections from Tuesday 9th September 2025 by accessing www.cesvotes.com/BTHNHS2025 (this site will only be available from 9th September)
- You can also find information on our Trust website [here](#)
- We will be holding a couple of information sessions online for you to find out more about the Governor role. These take place on:
 - Thursday 18 September, 2:00 – 3:00pm
 - Wednesday 24 September, 4:00 – 5:00pm

To book a place to attend, email: membership@bthft.nhs.uk

Nomination forms need to be submitted by 5pm on Tuesday 7th October 2025.

SAVE THE DATE: Annual Members' Meeting 6 October 2025, 5pm, Sovereign Lecture Theatre, BRI

The date for our Annual Members' Meeting (AMM) has been set for **Monday 6 October 2025, Sovereign Lecture Theatre, Field House, BRI from 5pm to 6:45pm**. Please save the date to come along to hear how our Trust has performed over the last year.

You will hear more about the AMM and how to book your place in our next communication in early September 2025.

Car Parking Changes

At Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, we're making parking simpler, fairer and more efficient, providing a better experience for patients, colleagues and visitors.

The new parking system uses the latest Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) technology and will go live for the public on **Monday, 18 August** at Bradford Royal Infirmary (BRI) and St Luke's Hospital soon after.

For further information please visit our website: <https://www.bradfordhospitals.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/parking-is-changing/>

Mel's monthly round-up: Our Partners

To kick off a new month we're getting moving with news of the JU:MP programme – a world-leading physical activity initiative that's transforming children's health right here in Bradford.

New research from Born in Bradford and the University of Bradford shows JU:MP has increased children's physical activity by over 70 minutes a week, the biggest improvement ever recorded for a programme of its kind!

Today we'll hear from programme leaders who tell us about the power of JU:MP's community-led, place-based approach that puts local people and organisations at the heart of long-term change.

Watch the film here: <https://youtu.be/VB9QCv7FCqI>



Mel's monthly round-up: Our People

For the first round-up of July we're focusing on an emotive photography and audio storytelling project, Through Their Eyes, that became a focal point at our recent Thrive leadership event and is now showing at Bradford Literature Festival.

By talking to our colleagues about what it means to belong at Bradford Teaching Hospitals and bringing their experiences together as a series of videos, we created a project that reflects the strength, compassion and connection found in shared stories.

Our people are our strength; they are our NHS and Through Their Eyes is a wonderful way to celebrate the contribution they make.

Watch here: https://youtu.be/ci_vtAVIgbC



Let's Talk with Mel podcast – volunteering

In this month's podcast Mel chats to Head of Volunteering at the Trust, Clare Bancroft, and one of our amazing volunteers, David Goodwin, about the important contribution our many volunteers make in supporting our hospitals and providing that extra help and interaction with patients.

Clare describes how the national vision for volunteering changed during COVID as so many people stepped up to come forward and give their time. This is where volunteering started to change across NHS trusts and became a key contributor for improving patient experience and outcomes, and better staff experience and wellbeing.

From personal stories to behind-the-scenes insights, this episode celebrates the power of giving time, the difference it makes in our hospital community, and



how you can get involved.

Listen here: <https://tinyurl.com/5denhum7>

Mel's 'bite-size' monthly round-up

July's round-up

If you are short on time - for a collection of the items covered during July - you can catch all in one place in this 'bite-size' round up.

We kicked off the month by shining a spotlight on the JU:MP programme: a world-leading physical activity initiative that's transforming children's health right here in Bradford.

We also heard about the *Through Their Eyes* exhibition: an emotive photography and audio storytelling project that brings to life the real experiences of our hospital staff. Beginning life as a focal point at our Thrive leadership event, we were thrilled to work in partnership with Bradford Literature Festival to bring the exhibition to the wider Bradford community.

For this month's podcast we heard from Clare Bancroft, Head of Volunteering and David Goodwin, one of our amazing volunteers.

And there's a look at some other key things that have been happening around the Trust this month.

Watch here: <https://youtu.be/Buvgy2Tm8GU>



We hope you find this issue of our membership news useful. Please do share with your family and friends. If you have any feedback you would like to share then please do – see our contact details at the end of this email.

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You have control of the data we hold on you!

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<https://secure.membra.co.uk/memberportal/bradfordteaching/>

You can also update your profile information and in particular let us know if you have any special requirements that we should take account of.

Regards

Membership Office

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