The Queen Elizabeth Hospital NHS
King's Lynn
NHS Foundation Trust

REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (IN PUBLIC)

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Report Title: Chair's Update

CHAIR'S UPDATE – May 2017

1. An external view

- The NHS has come through another challenging winter where the clinical performance of the QEH has been recognised by both NHSi and the Secretary of State. The challenge today is to continue to maintain those achievements while demand continues to rise. Any development in the national picture will have to await the outcome of the election.

2. An internal view

- The transition to the new management team is clearly of great significance and I am pleased with how this has progressed to date.

3. Chair's Diary

Since my last report, my diary has included the following events and meetings with internal and external colleagues and partners:

Internal

- Media Briefings on Dorothy's departure from the Trust, and Jon's arrival
- Welcomed new CEO and Executive team to the Trust
- Visit to meet staff and patients on Denver Ward
- 'Farewell' to Dorothy
- Hosted visit by Duke of Gloucester who opened Theatres 5&6 and visited the Stroke Unit
- Governor training session
- Attended committee meetings – Quality & Safety, Audit, Workforce, Finance & Performance
- Met with the Research & Development team and Health Enterprise East
- Welcomed new starters to the Trust, including Freedom to Speak up Guardian and new Governor
- Delighted to attend the Nurses' Dinner – gave the 'welcome' speech
- Met with Lynne Wigens, Regional Chief Nurse as part of 'Nurses' Day' celebrations
- Participated in the Board Development session with the new Board

External

- Met with Borough Council
- Met with Cabinet Office and UK Power Networks re. optimising power opportunities
- Took part in a Performance Review Meeting by telephone and in person
- Chaired the Stakeholder panel for the recruitment of the CCG Accountable Officer
- Set up a call with NHS Providers regarding junior doctors' rotas
- Guest speaker at King's Lynn Rotary Club, as requested by Dr Tasker
- Met with UEA regarding strengthening the relationship between the Trust and the university, and a follow up meeting is planned at the Trust in June
- Attended Florence Nightingale celebrations in Westminster Abbey, London.