The Queen Elizabeth Hospital King's Lynn
NHS Foundation Trust

REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (IN PUBLIC)

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CHAIR'S UPDATE – September 2018

1. A perspective

The past weeks have been dominated by pressure on the Trust with high levels of patient attendances and acuity and at the same time responding to the CQC and preparing for the public release of the report. The report attracted lots of media attention, including much patient and community comment.
Whilst the report and the Trust's response focussed upon what we need to do, it has inevitably raised broader questions on the challenges facing the NHS across the country and the issues we will face this coming winter.

2. Chair's Diary

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

Internal

- Chaired the August Board meeting and a Nomination & Remuneration Committee meeting; attended a Business Committee meeting, meetings of the Quality & Performance Committee and Finance and Activity Committee.
- Chaired a Board Development session, concentrating on moving forward from the CQC report.
- Chaired the interview for the Chief Operating Officer and Chief Transformation Officer roles.
- Met a number of recently-appointed senior medical staff, including the new Clinical Fellows.
- Visited Necton, Oxborough and Windsor wards.
- Met with the Medical Directorate team from NHSi during their visit to QEH.
- Took part in media training.
- Attended several staff briefing sessions on the CQC report.

- Discussed the CQC report in a meeting with Governors, including the impact on staff and the Trust.
- Took part in the induction for Year 4 Cambridge Students and Medical Students.
- Chaired an interview panel via Skype for an Infectious Diseases Consultant.

External

- Took part in a Performance Review meeting with regulators.
- Along with the CEO made a well-received presentation to the Borough Council about the hospital and its challenges and successes.
- Took part in a STP Chairs' meeting.
- Attended a NHS Providers Event in London for Chairs and CEOs.
- Chaired the interview panel for a Non-Executive Director for NCH&C.
- Interviewed by Radio Norfolk on the CQC report.
- Spoke to all the local provider Chairs on the pending CQC report.
- Briefed Henry Bellingham MP and Norman Lamb MP pre the release of the CQC report. We may anticipate visits from Henry, Liz Truss and Stephen Barclay in the coming weeks.