

TRUST BOARD PART I – NOVEMBER 2012

Agenda Item Number: 187/12
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Subject:	Chairman's Report
Prepared by / Sponsored by / Presented by:	David Rhind, Chairman
Purpose of paper	To update the Board on local items of interest.
Key points for Trust Board members <i>Briefly summarise in bullet point format the main points and key issues that the Trust Board members should focus on including conclusions and proposals</i>	For noting.
Options and decisions required <i>Clearly identify options that are to be considered and any decisions required</i>	None required.
Next steps / future actions: <i>Clearly identify what will follow the Trust Board's discussion</i>	N/A
Consideration of legal issues (including Equality Impact Assessment)?	N/A
Consideration of Public and Patient Involvement and Communications Implications?	N/A

Aide Memoire for Report of Chairman

Board of Directors – 29 November 2012

1. System working - discussions with Ambulance Service

- 1.1 For PHT to operate successfully, all other components of the local health system have to function well and in synchronisation. The Executive Directors are centrally involved in working with our health partners. They have recently been having discussions with their counterparts in other organisations in regard to new approaches to coping with the large numbers presenting at the Emergency Department which should reduce ambulance waiting times; also discussed was the additional pressure on PHT arising from delays in the Out of Hours Service which results in ambulances bringing patients to PHT who could be treated by in the community. These issues have also been discussed at Chair level.

2. Best People Awards

- 2.1 A record number of nominations by staff and patients have been made for this year's awards to staff who have 'gone the extra mile'. The presentations will be made on 14 December.

3. PHT Christmas Card

- 3.1 As usual, this year's card has been designed and drawn by a young patient. The prize to the winner and the runners up will be presented on 10 December.

4. Appointment of my successor

- 4.1 I have told the Strategic Health Authority that I do not wish to be considered for an extension to my 4 year contract as Chairman; this ends on 31st December. The Deputy Chairman, Alan Cole, will be the Interim Chairman until my substantive successor is appointed. The process to appoint that person is now under way.