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(Agenda item: 4)

# Report to the Meeting of the

# Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust

# Board of Directors

**30 July 2014**

**Chief Executive’s Report**

**For Information**

***National Issues***

**1. Code of Practice for Mental Health Consultation**

The government is consulting on proposed changes to the Mental Health Act (1983) Code of Practice – the Code protects patients’ rights, informs practitioners’ decisions and ensures the Act is followed. A copy of the consultation documents may be found here:-

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/changes-to-mental-health-act-1983-code-of-practice>

Board members, and particularly Non-Executive Directors in their role as Mental Health Act Managers, may be interested in submitting their own views to the consultation. I have also asked the Medical Director and Director of Nursing and Clinical Standards to consider submitting a Trust response.

**2. 2015/16 National Tariff**

Monitor is seeking views on the 2015/16 National Tariff Payment System following their publication of the Tariff Engagement Document which sets out proposed changes for 2015/16. A copy of the document may be accessed here:-

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/nhs-national-tariff-payment-system-201516-engagement-documents>

In publishing the document, Monitor has said that it is committed to parity of esteem between mental and physical health and expect payment for mental health service to follow local arrangements that are transparent, act in the best interests of patients and are based on constructive engagement.

I have asked the Director of Finance to review the documents and consider providing views to Monitor on their proposals.

**3. NHS and Department of Health Investigations into Jimmy Savile**

In late June 2014, the Department of Health published a series of reports following three independent investigations into the role of Jimmy Savile in the NHS. The reports may be accessed here:-

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/nhs-and-department-of-health-investigations-into-jimmy-savile>

As previously reported to Board, the Director of Nursing and Clinical Standards has been supporting Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust in relation to the investigation at Stoke Mandeville Hospital; we expect the report relating to this hospital to be released later in the year. We are taking account of the findings from investigations and will ensure our governance systems take account of the recommendations.

***Local / Trust Issues***

**4. CEO Stakeholder Meetings & Visits**

Since the last meeting, key stakeholders that I have met, visits I have undertaken and meetings that I have attended have included:

* Meeting with Lord Adebowale, Non-Executive Director, NHS England
* Meeting with representatives from Monitor and NHS England to discuss pricing
* Meeting with Rt. Rev. James Newcome, Bishop of Carlisle (who takes a special interest in the NHS on behalf of the Church of England)
* Meeting with ministerial delegation from Georgia to discuss healthcare
* Thames Valley Leadership Academy Board Meeting
* Taking Action of Patient Feedback Meeting
* Meeting with NIHR
* NHS Buckinghamshire Leadership Summit
* Buckinghamshire HOSC
* Meeting with Department of Health to discuss Honours in the health sector
* Visit to Oxfordshire Complex Needs Service and meeting with Dr. Steve Pearce
* Health Education Thames Valley Board meeting
* Oxfordshire Health Liaison Meeting
* Most Capable Provider Assessment in Oxfordshire

**5. Bicester Community Hospital**

We are continuing to seek clarification from NHS Property Services on their proposed terms for the Trust to occupy the new Bicester Community Hospital and the completion / handover date for the development. We will continue to provide services from the current hospital in the interim.

**6. Consultant Appointment**

An Advisory Appointment Committee, chaired by Clive Meux, Medical Director, and attended by Cedric Scroggs, Non-Executive Director, convened on 9 July 2014 and offered the post of Consultant Psychiatrist in Old Age Psychiatry (Aylesbury) (Full Time) to Christopher Ramsay. The offer was made subject to relevant pre-employment checks and Board agreement.

Dr Ramsay gained his medical degree in Nottingham and trained in psychiatry in the East Midlands where he has most recently been working in old age psychiatry. Apart from his medical degrees and Membership of the Royal College of Psychiatrists (MRCPsych), he has an BMedSci degree. He has been involved in a range of teaching and other relevant activities and has an interest in clinical leadership. This will be his first substantive consultant post.

The Board is asked to approve this appointment.

**Recommendation**

The Board is asked to note the report and approve the consultant appointment.

**Lead Executive Director:** Stuart Bell, Chief Executive