



## Membership Matters April 2025 - Council of Governors Election Special

Welcome to your Council of Governors Membership Matters Election Special newsletter, a newsletter for members of the Trust with recent news and forthcoming events.

Nominations opened at the end of February for our 2025 Council of Governors elections and are now closed. This was the period where Trust members were able to nominate themselves to become an Oxford Health Governor.



Thank you to all those who have nominated themselves, attended our Q&A election

events and have supported our election campaign over the past few weeks!

Over 20 nominations have been received for the 22 governor vacancies in this year's election for staff, public, patient and carers constituencies.

Constituency	Class	Seat/s
Public	Buckinghamshire	3
Public	Oxfordshire	3
Public	Rest of England & Wales	1
Patient	Carers	2
Patient Service Users	Buckinghamshire & Other Counties	3
Patient Service Users	Oxfordshire	3
Staff	Buckinghamshire Mental Health Services	1
Staff	Community Services	2

Staff	Mental Health Services Oxfordshire, Bath and North East Somerset (BaNES), Swindon & Wilts	2
Staff	Specialised Services	2

## What's next?

A Notice of Poll will be published on Tuesday 22 April, and polls open the following day, Wednesday 23 April. The election website will open on this day and voting packs will be despatched to candidates via email and post.

This is your opportunity to vote for who you would like to represent you in your constituency.

Voting will remain open until the close of election, Monday 19 May. Results will be published on Tuesday 20 May 2025.

To vote in the upcoming election, you would have had to be a member of the Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust before the nominations closed on 28 March. If you are unsure and would like to find out if you were a member before this time, please email the membership team at <a href="mailto:FT.MembershipCommunity@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk">FT.MembershipCommunity@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk</a>

For more information on the elections, a countdown to voting, and to download the **Statement of Candidates** once voting opens, visit <a href="https://www.cesvotes.com/oxfordhealth2025">www.cesvotes.com/oxfordhealth2025</a>

As a <u>member</u> you decide how much, or how little you want to get involved. We'd love you to attend our events, share your thoughts, or even stand and vote in our governor elections.

If you're a <u>social media</u> user, feel free to like and share posts so that your friends, family and colleagues can get to know more about us and the work that we do. Or you may simply want to be kept informed. However you choose to show your support and make a difference, we are happy to have you on board.

If you would like to contact the governors of the Trust, please use this link local governor.

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