

Agenda Item 1.v

Report to:	Board of Directors	Date: 7 February 2019
Report from:	Chair	
Principal Objective/ Strategy and Title	Chair's Report	
Board Assurance Framework Entries	Governance	
Regulatory Requirement	N/A	
Equality Considerations	None believed to apply	
Key Risks	N/A	
For:	Information	

1 Purpose/Background/Summary

This report provides the Trust Board with a monthly update from the Chair of the Board of Directors.

2 Key item(s)

2.1 Royal Papworth Hospital building on the Cambridge Biomedical Campus reaches practical completion

I am extremely pleased to report that we have now taken handover of our new hospital building on the Cambridge Biomedical Campus. Having been involved in the new hospital project for many years, it is wonderful to see that our vision for a brand new state-of-the-art hospital is now a reality. I was delighted to show local and regional media around the new hospital in January and it was especially rewarding to receive excellent feedback from the first patient who we invited to have a look around. We have a lot of work to do over the next few months to equip the hospital and train staff but I am certain that the rewards will be worth it when we begin treating patients on the new site after Easter.

3 News and updates

3.1 Royal Papworth Staff Awards 2019

I would like to congratulate the many staff members who have received nominations for our staff awards ceremony, which is due to take place on 14 March 2019. The nominations received really highlight the way that our staff are coming together to support each other and deliver excellent care to our patients during this time of change.

3.2 Visit to Whittle Laboratory in Cambridge

Last month, as part of my role as Deputy Lord-Lieutenant for Cambridgeshire, I visited the Whittle Laboratory, which is part of the Engineering Department of the University of Cambridge. The department is at the forefront of research into turbomachinery, and it struck me that there could be opportunities for us to work more closely in the future, as part of our work with the university and the private sector to develop new medical equipment.

Recommendation:

The Board of Directors is requested to note the content of this report.