

**Agenda Item 1.v**

<b>Report to:</b>	<b>Board of Directors</b>	<b>Date: 1 November 2018</b>
<b>Report from:</b>	<b>Chair</b>	
<b>Principal Objective/ Strategy and Title</b>	<b>Chair's Report</b>	
<b>Board Assurance Framework Entries</b>	<b>Governance</b>	
<b>Regulatory Requirement</b>	<b>N/A</b>	
<b>Equality Considerations</b>	<b>None believed to apply</b>	
<b>Key Risks</b>	<b>N/A</b>	
<b>For:</b>	<b>Information</b>	

**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 Karen Caddick to resign from Board of Directors**

In the last few weeks, one of our non-executive directors, Karen Caddick, has resigned. Karen has served on Royal Papworth Hospital's Board of Directors since November 2013 and has made an invaluable contribution to the hospital during this time.

**2.2 David Dean joins our Board of Directors**

Following his appointment during the summer, David Dean will join our Board of Directors meeting for the first time today. David brings a huge amount of experience from his career in investment banking and also as a non-executive director at other NHS Trusts. I would like to welcome him to our Board and look forward to working with him during the months ahead.

**3 News and updates**

**3.1 Visit from Institut Jantung Negara in Malaysia**

On 15 October, I hosted a visit by senior executives at the Institut Jantung Negara, a heart surgery centre in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, to the Cambridge Biomedical Campus. The delegates were particularly keen to learn from our experiences of using technology to enhance patient care, and were interested to hear how we have been collaborating with other partners in the life sciences sector on the Cambridge Biomedical Campus. Representatives from Royal Papworth Hospital and our

partners, including Cambridge University Health Partners, gave a series of talks at the event, which was followed by a tour of our new hospital.

### **3.3 Funeral held for long-standing staff member**

Last month I attended the funeral of Polly Seymour, who worked for many years making lunches for staff working in the hospital's theatres. Polly was a huge part of life at the hospital, to the point that the theatres kitchen became known as 'Polly's Kitchen'. I was pleased to be able to attend Polly's funeral and enjoyed reminiscing with the many current and former staff members who were there on the day.

### **3.4 Annual Zimmern lecture**

On 25 October I attended the annual Zimmern lecture, organized by Royal Papworth Hospital's Non-Executive Director Ron Zimmern. The event, which was held at Hughes Hall in Cambridge, featured an interesting lecture from Professor Ed Bullmore, Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Cambridge.

### **3.5 Long Service Awards**

On 31 October I was delighted to host the Trust's Long Service Awards to recognise staff members who have worked at the hospital for 15 years or more. Together, the guests had worked at Royal Papworth Hospital for more than 757 years and it was fantastic to be able to celebrate the contribution they have all made during this time.

#### **Recommendation:**

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