

Board of Directors Meeting 30 January 2019

Meeting Summary

1. *Patient Story* – The Board heard the story about a patient who had experienced suicidal thoughts and was supported by the Sherborne Older Persons Community Mental Health Team. The patient was very appreciative of the care, compassion and treatment she had received from the Team.
2. *Presentation from the Armed Forces (Veterans) Community Health and Wellbeing Team* – The Board heard from the Team on the work of the Trust in supporting veterans and the armed forces community.
3. *Capital Investment Priorities* – The Board considered the proposed priorities for mental health and community services capital investment and the rationale for the priority order of schemes. The Board noted that the total capital requirement for the first order schemes was estimated at £65m and second order schemes amounted to a further £50m.
4. *Board Briefing* – The Board received a briefing on the NHS Long Term Plan, the National Audit Office report on NHS Financial Sustainability, the new Community Support Service in North Dorset and an update from the Council of Governors.
5. *Chief Executive's Report* – The Chief Executive reported on the continuing discussions within the health system about the allocation of funding to the provider trusts and, in particular, mental health services; the changing composition of the Partnership Board and Senior Leadership Team; the unclear position in respect of local authority funding in the County and the implications for services; the impending announcement in respect of services in Wareham; the continuing discussions with the community in Portland about the future delivery of services in the area; and the continuing partnership working with primary care.
6. *Integrated Corporate Dashboard* – The Board reviewed key indicators for December 2018.
7. *Preparedness for a 'No Deal' Brexit* – the Board reviewed the action being taken within the Trust in preparation for a possible 'no deal' in respect of the UK's withdrawal from the European Union in March 2019. The Trust had developed a local response in respect of the seven key issues highlighted in national guidance-supply of medicines and vaccines, supply of medical devices and clinical consumables, supply of non-clinical consumables, goods and services, workforce shortages, reciprocal healthcare, research and clinical trials and data sharing, processing and access. Action had also been taken in respect of identified local risks in respect of fuel shortages, traffic disruption at the Port of Poole, public protest and disorder and disruption at Bournemouth Airport.
8. *Finance Report for December* – The Board noted that, at the end of December, the Trust surplus was £5.5m which was £0.6m adverse to budget and £0.5m favourable to the control total. The Trust was forecast to meet its control total for the year but action was required in respect of downside risks relating to current performance. The Use of Resources Rating within the Single Oversight Framework was 1, which was in accordance with the plan for the year.

9. *Quarterly Themed Review of Better Every Day*– The Board noted that the planned milestones for the year were on target.
10. *Board Assurance Framework (BAF) 2018/19* – The Board reviewed progress with managing the strategic risks facing the Trust.
11. *Council of Governors Regulatory Dashboard* – The Board agreed the dashboard for submission to the February meeting of the Council of Governors.

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