

**MINUTES OF EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS MEETING  
 HELD ON TUESDAY 6 JULY 2021, FROM 14:30-14:46HOURS  
 MEETING HELD DIGITALLY VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS**

<b>PRESENT</b>	Caroline Maley  Valerie Broom Susan Ryan Rob Poole Ruth Grice Lynda Langley  Carole Riley Orla Smith Andrew Beaumont Christopher Williams Julie Boardman Chris Mitchell Kevin Richards Jan Nicholson Marie Hickman Kel Sims Jo Foster Farina Tahira Rachel Bounds Cllr Roy Webb Stephen Wordsworth David Charnock	Trust Chair and Chair of Council of Governors ( <b>deferred chiring the meeting to the Lead Governor due to the business to be transacted</b> ) Public Governor, Amber Valley Public Governor, Amber Valley Public Governor, Bolsover and North East Derbyshire Public Governor, Chesterfield Public Governor, Chesterfield and Lead Governor – <b>Chair for the meeting</b> Public Governor, Derby City East Public Governor, Derby City West Public Governor, Erewash Public Governor, Erewash Public Governor, High Peak and Derbyshire Dales Public Governor, High Peak and Derbyshire Dales Public Governor, South Derbyshire Staff Governor, Allied Professions Staff Governor, Admin and Allied Support Staff Staff Governor, Admin and Allied Support Staff Staff Governor, Nursing Staff Governor, Medical Appointed Governor, Derbyshire Voluntary Association Appointed Governor, Derby City Council Appointed Governor, University of Derby  Appointed Governor, University of Nottingham
<b>IN ATTENDANCE</b>	Denise Baxendale Lee Doyle Justine Fitzjohn Carolyn Green Ifti Majid Ade Odunlade	Membership and Involvement Manager Acting Director of Operations Trust Secretary Executive Director of Nursing and Patient Experience Chief Executive Chief Operating Officer
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	Jodie Cook Rosemary Farkas Julie Lowe Stuart Mourton	Appointed Governor, Derbyshire Mental Health Forum Public Governor, Rest of England Public Governor, Derby City East Public Governor, Derby City West

<b>ITEM</b>	<b><u>ITEM</u></b>
<b>DHCFT/GOV /2021/035</b>	<p><b><u>WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS, APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE &amp; DECLARATION OF INTERESTS</u></b></p> <p>Lynda Langley, Lead Governor, took the chair and welcomed all to the meeting. She reminded everyone that the link to the meeting had been published on the Trust's website to allow public viewing.</p> <p>Lynda explained that this extraordinary Council of Governors meeting was convened in order discuss the recommendation from the Governors Nominations and Remuneration Committee to appoint the new Trust Chair who will replace Caroline Maley when she retires on 13 September 2021.</p> <p>The apologies were noted; and no interests were declared.</p>

**APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENT OF THE NEW TRUST CHAIR**

Lynda gave an outline of the recruitment process; and assured governors that the process was robust, open and transparent.

Lynda also summarised how the preferred candidate, Selina Ullah, met the criteria for the role and their strengths and confirmed that she has the right qualities to meet the job description. It was noted that the focus groups and interview panel found Selina to be warm, humble, informed and inspirational. It was noted that Selina had also undertaken extensive research into the Trust, Joined Up Care Derbyshire and other Trust partners and had spoken to a variety of people within Trust and with partner organisations.

Lynda also confirmed that Selina, who lives in Bradford assured the interview panel that travel would not be an issue; and that visibility would be a priority for her.

Susan Ryan who sat on the interview panel concurred with Lynda and explained that there were four strong candidates to interview. She also explained that Selina was incredibly informed and gave good examples of how she has used her skills and experience to change areas she has previously worked in.

Kel Sims who participated in the shortlisting process and focus group also concurred with Lynda explaining that the focus group had most appreciated Selina's openness and approachability.

Lynda outlined the Governors Nominations and Remunerations Committee recommendation to appoint Selina Ullah as the Trust Chair, on an annual fee of £45,100 for a three year term commencing on 14 September 2021 (on the expiry of Caroline Maley's term of office on 13 September 2021). The Council of Governors unanimously agreed with the Committee's recommendation to appoint Selina Ullah with the terms as outlined above. The Trust Secretary will inform Selina of the outcome.

Lynda reiterated that the recruitment process was thorough, fair and balanced, and has led to the best outcome for the Trust. She also explained that all four candidates had commented that the values of the Trust had shone through at each stage of the interview process.

Lynda conveyed her appreciation to all who participated in the recruitment process including the focus groups, interview panel, Justine Fitzjohn, Trust Secretary and Ali Tuckley, PA to the Trust Chair and Chief Executive.

Caroline also conveyed her appreciation to everyone involved in the recruitment and expressed her delight at the appointment of Selina. Caroline added she would continue with her dedication to working with the Trust until her retirement in September.

Justine Fitzjohn assured governors that there will be an opportunity for governors to say goodbye to Caroline. She also explained that a statement on the appointment of the new Trust Chair will be published tomorrow; and she is aware that Selina is really looking forward to joining the Trust; and building on the work that Caroline has accomplished.

**RESOLVED: The Council of Governors:**

- 1) Approved the appointment of Selina Ulla as Trust Chair at an annual fee of £45,100 for a three year term commencing on 14 September 2021.**
- 2) Noted that all appointments to the Trust Board are subject to satisfactory completion of the Fit and Proper Persons Tests.**

	<b>ACTION: The Trust Secretary will contact Selina Ullah to inform her of the outcome.</b>
<b>DHCFT/GOV /2021/038</b>	<b><u>CLOSE OF MEETING</u></b>  Lynda Langley thanked all for their attendance and input.  A confidential extraordinary Council of Governors meeting is taking place after this meeting. The next Council of Governors meeting will be on <b>Tuesday 7 September 2021, from 2.00pm</b> . Both meetings will be held virtually.  The meeting closed at 14:46 hours.