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Dear Member

Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust – Council of Governors Elections

Thank you for your interest in standing to be elected as a Governor of Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

Governors play a key role in helping to set the strategy and monitoring the performance of the Trust and ultimately in how we provide services to our patients.

In these elections, 14 governors will be elected as follows:

- Four Public Governors from the Blackpool constituency.
- Two Public Governors from the Fylde constituency.
- Two Public Governors from the Wyre constituency.
- Two Public Governors from the Lancashire & South Cumbria constituency.
- One Public Governor from the North of England constituency.
- One Staff Governor from the Non-Clinical Support constituency.
- One Staff Governor from the Nursing & Midwifery constituency.
- One Staff Governor from the Medical & Dental constituency.

Standing for election as a Governor represents a challenging opportunity for individuals who wish to contribute to the development of the Trust. Those considering standing for election may wish to consult the Constitution of the organisation. This document sets out the roles and responsibilities of Governors in detail and it is available from the Returning Officer, Ciara Norris, at Electoral Reform Services on tel no 020 8365 8909.

The attached papers provide all the information you need to stand as a candidate in the Foundation Trust elections. This includes the following information:

- A notice of election, detailing the timetable for the electoral process
- A nomination form, which includes space for an election statement and photo
- An information sheet, which provides guidelines on how to write an election statement

Should you wish to stand for election as a Public Governor, you should note that you are only able to do so in the public constituency where you live. Members residing within this constituency will vote for candidates who also reside within the constituency.

Should you wish to stand for election as a Staff Governor, you should note that you are only able to do so in the staff constituency in which you work. Staff members working within this constituency will vote for candidates from the same constituency.

In completing the nomination form, please outline in no more than 250 words why you would like to be considered for the position of Foundation Trust Governor, and why you think members should consider voting for you. The nomination form provides further details of the information you need to provide.

If you require any further information about the election process, please contact Ciara Norris at Electoral Reform Services on tel no 020 8365 8909.

Your interest in the Trust and its future is greatly valued by the Board of Directors.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Johnson', written in a cursive style.

Ian Johnson
Chairman

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