

**FINAL Minutes template of the meeting of Trust Board on  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

**Present**

Baroness Tessa Blackstone	Chairman
Mr Jan Filochowski	Chief Executive
Ms Mary MacLeod	Non-Executive Director
Ms Yvonne Brown	Non-Executive Director
Mr John Ripley	Non-Executive Director
Mr Charles Tilley	Non-Executive Director
Prof Rosalind Smyth	Non-Executive Director
Mr Robert Burns	Acting Chief Operating Officer
Dr Barbara Buckley	Co-Medical Director
Mrs Claire Newton	Chief Finance Officer
Mr Ali Mohammed	Director of Human Resources and OD

**In attendance**

Dr Anna Ferrant	Company Secretary
Mr Matthew Tulley	Director of Redevelopment
Ms Rachel Williams	Newly appointed COO (from July 2013)

*\*Denotes a person who was present for part of the meeting*

<b>40.</b>	<b>Apologies for absence</b>
40.1	No apologies were received.
<b>41.</b>	<b>Declarations of interest</b>
41.1	No declarations of interest were received.
<b>42.</b>	<b>MRI 3T</b>
42.1	Mr Robert Burns, Acting Chief Operating Officer presented the paper and reminded the Board that in October 2011 it had approved a business case for a 3-T MRI scanner at a cost of £3.4M. At that time it was proposed to locate the 3-T MRI in the space vacated by our oldest MRI scanner (MR1) in the basement of the Cardiac Wing. In addition the budget for the 2B project, approved by the Board in July 2011, included amounts for putting temporary arrangements in place both for accessing alternative MRI capacity and CT capacity due to the 2B site work reducing access to imaging equipment in the Cardiac wing at certain times of the day.
42.2	Mr Burns explained that further investigation of the plans for alternative imaging provision coupled with unforeseen problems with installing a 3-T MRI in the original location without incurring substantial extra costs, had resulted in a change in plans and the development of this business case.
42.3	This case presented offered a different and significantly lower risk solution for maintaining imaging capacity during the 2B project, involving repositioning of the 3-T MRI and CT scanning capability in the Southwood wing combined with the original project to invest in a “new generation” 3-T scanner. Additional elements

	of the project included a new superior CT scanner within the new imaging suite and the provision of anaesthetic rooms and a recovery area adjacent to the suite.
42.4	The Board was advised that investment in the 3T would provide increased epilepsy service capacity; enabled the Trust to meet waiting targets; reduced the number of scans needing to be sent externally and increased capacity for research income. It would also provide an opportunity for development of an MRI post mortem service. Investment in a new CT would significantly reduce potential safety issues as it used a lower dose of radiation (academic research demonstrates that CT scans increase a child's risk of cancer later in life).
42.5	The revised business case greatly reduced risk in terms of sustainability of phase 2B and provided a space for a 5 <sup>th</sup> scanner in 2017 without seriously impacting capacity of the remaining 4 scanners.
42.6	The Board was advised that the GOSH Charity had committed £3.4m to fund a 3-T MRI. The Trust was in discussion with the Charity in terms of funding the remaining balance. Any remaining amounts not funded by the Charity would be funded directly by the Trust by deferring other items within the Trust's capital plan for 1314 or 1415. Plans for an integrated theatre had been deferred following discussions with Divisional Directors and agreement that the replacement of the MRI scanner be prioritised.
42.7	Mrs Mary MacLeod, Non-Executive Director asked if there were any future plans to replace other MRI scanners. Mr Burns stated that there could be an option to upgrade some of the existing scanners rather than full replacements.
42.8	The Board was advised that by the end of the calendar year, all four scanners would be used every evening of the week until 9:00pm extending to use at the weekends. Further work was underway to extend the use of the machines by 5-10% increase in patients per day.
42.9	Mr Burns advised the Board that the scanner will be selected through a tender process.
42.10	<b>Action:</b> Mr Charles Tilley, Non-Executive Director asked that a pro forma be agreed with Board members for presentation of future business cases.
42.11	Mr David Lomas, Non-Executive Director asked whether the Trust could delay the purchase of the scanner. Mr Burns advised that this was not possible due to the fact that the scanner required replacement and upgrade and that any alternative solution would delay the phase 2B redevelopment programme.
42.12	The Trust Board asked Mr David Lomas, Chairman of the Finance and Investment Committee and Mr John Ripley, Non-Executive Director and Finance and Investment Committee member to review the business case in detail in the next week and report back to the Chairman. The Board agreed that Chairman's action would be taken on final approval of the business case.
<b>43.</b>	<b>Annual Order for Blood Products</b>
43.1	Mrs Claire Newton presented the request for approval for a series of annual orders for blood products. The total value of all major orders for the year from 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2013 was £20.5M.

43.2	Mr Newton explained that under the current SFIs orders of budgeted expenditure valued at £1m or more are required to be authorised by the Trust Board. She proposed that when the SFIs and SOs are updated later in this financial year, approval of the blood orders be delegated to executives on the basis that the amounts are recurring purchases and within the approved budget. The Board agreed.
43.3	Mr David Lomas asked whether the Trust received discounts for these large orders and whether the Trust is optimising its commercial position or should it buying in partnership with others. Mrs Newton advised that the products were purchased under a national framework which was set up to ensure that the Trust achieves the best available price for such products.
43.4	The Board <b>approved</b> the annual order.
<b>44.</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>
44.1	There were no items of any other business.
<b>45.</b>	<b>Next meeting</b>
45.1	The next Trust Board meeting will be held on Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2013 in the Charles West Room, Level 2, Paul O’Gorman Building, Great Ormond Street, London WC1N 3JH