

# Members update Winter 2018/19

Dear member,

Happy New Year and thank you for your continued membership and support of the Trust. We'd like to send you a short update.

## A message from our Chair

On behalf of the Trust, I would like to wish all our members a very happy and healthy new year. You will know that these are challenging times for the NHS, including South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust. However, there are also lots of opportunities for us to improve health and care, and the recently published NHS 10-year plan has set out the national ambition, which we fully support. As we consider how best to implement this, we remain committed to delivering the best support and care we can to every one of our service users and their carers. I hope you find this update useful, and look forward to your involvement, support, and views over the course of 2019.

Angela Monaghan

Chair



## Stand for election on our members' council

Our election process is managed by Electoral Reform Services (ERS) on our behalf. This is to make sure that our elections are managed impartially and fairly and that the process is independent and transparent.

Included with this newsletter is information in relation to this years election process, including what a governor's role involves, how to nominate yourself, and how you can vote.

There are upcoming vacancies for public seats in Barnsley, Calderdale, Kirklees and Wakefield and also in staff seats for nursing support and social care staff working in integrated teams.

For more information, visit our website at:

[www.southwestyorkshire.nhs.uk/about-us/how-we-are-run/members-council/elections/](http://www.southwestyorkshire.nhs.uk/about-us/how-we-are-run/members-council/elections/)



## Members' council meetings

The dates for the next members' council meeting held in public are:

**Barnsley - Friday 1 February 2019, morning meeting, Barnsley Football Club, Barnsley S71 1ET**

**Kirklees - Friday 3 May 2019, afternoon meeting, Textile Centre of Excellence, Huddersfield, HD2 1YF**

**Calderdale - Friday 2 August 2019, afternoon meeting, location to be confirmed**

**Wakefield - Friday 1 November 2019, morning meeting, Fieldhead, Wakefield WF1 3SP**

Part of the role of the members' council is to help shape the Trust's future plans and priorities. If you would like to engage with the governors who represents your local community, please email: [governors@swyt.nhs.uk](mailto:governors@swyt.nhs.uk)

More information about our members' council can be found on our website at:

[www.southwestyorkshire.nhs.uk/members-council](http://www.southwestyorkshire.nhs.uk/members-council)



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Contact the membership office on 01924 316462 or [membership@swyt.nhs.uk](mailto:membership@swyt.nhs.uk)

## Trust Board meetings

The dates for the next Trust Board meeting held in public are:

Wakefield - Tues 29 January 2019, 9.30am, small conference room, wellbeing and learning centre, Fieldhead, Wakefield WF1 3SP

Calderdale - Tues 26 March 2019, 9.30am, rooms 3&4, Laura Mitchell, Halifax HX1 1YR

Kirklees - Tues 30 April 2019, 9.30am, room 49/50, Folly Hall, Huddersfield HD1 3LT

Calderdale - Tues 25 June 2019, 9.30am, rooms 5&6, Laura Mitchell, Halifax HX1 1YR

Barnsley - Tues 30 July 2019, 9.30am, conference centre boardroom, Kendray, Barnsley S70 3RD

Wakefield - Tues 24 September 2019, 9.30am, small conference room, wellbeing and learning centre, Fieldhead, Wakefield WF1 3SP

Kirklees - Tues 29 October 2019, 9.30am, room 49/50, Folly Hall, Huddersfield HD1 3LT

Barnsley - Tues 17 December 2019, 9.30am, conference centre boardroom, Kendray, Barnsley S70 3RD

More information about our Trust Board can be found on our website at:

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## Excellence – recognising the work of our staff

At the end of last year we held our annual Excellence awards, celebrating the work and contributions of our employees. Over 140 staff came to Cedar Court Hotel in Wakefield to reward and recognise the efforts of our workforce across nine individual and team categories. View more about the event, including videos of our finalists, on our website.



## We're searching for volunteers

By volunteering with us, you can give your community a voice in everything we do whilst building new friendships, improving your confidence and boosting your CV with experience in a health and care environment. To find out more contact the team for an informal chat on [01924 316426](tel:01924316426) or email [volunteer@swyt.nhs.uk](mailto:volunteer@swyt.nhs.uk)

## Keep up to date with our latest job vacancies

Want to join our great team? Follow our 'NHSYorksJobs' [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) to see our current opportunities.

## Let's get social

Follow us on social media to see our latest news and updates.

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## General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

GDPR is a new Europe-wide law in place since May 2018. Any membership information the Trust holds about you will be held in accordance with GDPR and Data Protection Act 2018.

If you would like to update your information, please contact the membership office on [01924 316462](tel:01924316462) or [membership@swyt.nhs.uk](mailto:membership@swyt.nhs.uk)