

**Council of Governors (In Public)**  
**Item 8**

**Subject:** Chief Executive's Report  
**Date of Meeting:** 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2024  
**Presented by:** Liz Bishop, Chief Executive  
**Purpose of Report:** To Note

BAF Reference	Impact on BAF
All	The report updates on a range of issues.

Level of assurance ( <i>please tick one</i> ) <i>To be used when the content of the report provides evidence of assurance</i>					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Acceptable assurance</b> Controls are suitably designed, with evidence of them being consistently applied and effective in practice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Partial assurance</b> Controls are still maturing – evidence shows that further action is required to improve their effectiveness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Low assurance</b> Evidence indicates poor effectiveness of controls

**1. Liverpool Adult Acute and Specialist Providers (LAASP)**

The LAASP joint Committee met on 19 September and 7 October. See LAASP assurance reports, items 6.1.2a and 6.1.2b.

**2. CEO Retirement**

I announced my intention to retire in October. The process for recruiting my replacement will be communicated in due course.

**3. Movement on system Leadership**

Louise Shepherd, CEO Alder Hey Hospital, has been appointed as the North West Regional Director. A process of recruitment for CEO is understood to be underway.

Rob Cooper has been appointed as the CEO of Mersey & West Lancs Hospital, following the retirement of Ann Marr.

Nikhil Khashu has been appointed as the joint CEO of Warrington & Halton Hospital and Bridgewater Community Health Foundation Trust.

**4. Planning: Winter**

The Trust has prepared its winter plan based on experiences from previous years and up to date knowledge of the regional pressures. With established command and control processes, LHCH will manage expected and unexpected situations as and when they occur, by ensuring good communications, detailed reporting of staffing, skill mix and capacity and ensure appropriate and timely escalation to the Executive Lead as appropriate. LHCH representatives

engage with the Liverpool system wide winter plans and the Cheshire and Merseyside Hospital Cell to ensure partnership working is maximised to support the wider healthcare system.

**5. CQC Engagement Meeting**

A positive engagement event took place with updates given from the Trust regarding performance. A walkabout to Catheter Labs, CCU and Oak ward occurred with patients and staff given the opportunity to talk to our CQC Operational Manager. The next engagement event will take place in January with date and time to be confirmed.

**6. Cheshire and Merseyside Acute and Specialist Trust provider collaboration (CMAST)**

Cheshire and Merseyside Acute and Specialist Provider Collaborative met 4<sup>th</sup> of October and 1<sup>st</sup> of November and discussed a number of system wide issues which are summarised in section 6.1.1 of this agenda

**7. Consultant Appointments**

Grade	Name	Recruitment Stage
Locum Consultant Thoracic Surgeon	Jennifer Amy Williams	Starting Jan 2025
Locum Consultant Thoracic Surgeon	Annemarie Brunswicker	Started Sept
Locum Consultant Radiologist	Dr Pankaj Kafle	Started Oct 22nd

**8. Other key appointments**

Nil to report.

**9. Recommendations**

The Board of Directors is asked to review the content of this report.