

Council of Governors (in Public) Item 13.2

Subject: Annual Review of Register of Interests
Date of meeting: 5th March 2024
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1. Introduction

The Standing Orders for the Practice and Procedures of the Council of Governors (constitution Annex 7 para 7) states that Governors are required to comply with the Foundation Trust's Standards of Business Conduct and declare interests that are (or may be perceived to be) material to the Council. The definition of a 'material interest' is set out at Annex 7 para 7.2 and has been provided to all Governors. If a Governor has a pecuniary, personal or family interest, whether that interest is actual or potential and whether that interest is direct or indirect, in any proposed contract or other matter which is under consideration or is to be considered by the Council of Governors, the Governor shall disclose that interest to the Council of Governors as soon as he becomes aware of it.

This paper sets out the arrangements in place for the declaration of interests and includes the Register of Interests to be reviewed by the Council of Governors on an annual basis.

2. Declaration of Interests

It is a requirement for each Governor to formally declare any interests on appointment / election and to declare any new interest or change to existing interests as soon as it arises. The Trust maintains an annual review process to prompt governors to review their declared interests. Where there are no interests to declare, then a nil return is required on an annual basis. A Register of Interests is maintained and will be made available to the public, in accordance with the principles of openness and transparency.

At the start of each formal meeting of the Council of Governors, the Chair will ask members to declare any interests that are relevant to the agenda items being discussed, and this will be minuted. Any new interests, not previously declared will be requested to be entered onto the Register of Interests.

Any Governor who has an interest in a matter to be considered by the Council of Governors shall withdraw from the meeting and play no part in discussion on that item and shall not vote on the issue.

If a Governor has doubt about the relevance of an interest s/he should discuss the matter with the Chair and / or Director of Risk & Improvement who will advise whether or not the interest should be disclosed.

Governors were prompted to update their declarations on 15th January 2024. The updated register of declared interests is attached (Appendix A) and should be reviewed by the

Council of Governors. There are currently two vacancies within the Council of Governors and declarations will be sought once appointments has been made.

3. Recommendations

The Council of Governors is asked to

- (i) note the arrangements for declaring interests and
- (ii) review the attached updated register of declared interests and confirm that there are no material conflicts.

Appendix A - REGISTER OF GOVERNORS (updated 19th February 2024)

Public Constituency	Name	Start Date	Term	End Date	Interests Declared	Notes
Merseyside	David Bromilow	28/1/22	1st	AMM 2024	I currently work within the NHS as an ESR Functional Account Manager. I am employed by the NHS Business Services Authority. Although I cannot see any direct conflict with my responsibilities as a Public Governor for LHCH. I am keen to declare in case a future conflict occurs.	Invited to join CoG as next highest polling candidate in contested election - declaration of results 7 th September 2021
Merseyside	Terence Comerford	11/2/20	2nd	AMM 2026	None to declare	Invited to join CoG as next highest polling candidate in contested election 30 th July 2018 Re-elected 16 th Sept 2020 & in contested election commencing term of office on 25 th Sept 2023
Merseyside	Elaine Holme	25/9/17	3rd	AMM 2026	Senior Lecturer & Project Manager Northwest Imaging Academy (EHU), Edge Hill University	Elected in contested election 20 th July 2017 Re-elected 16 th Sept 2020 & in contested election commencing 25 th Sept 2023
Merseyside	Peter Humphrey	22/9/20	2nd	AMM 2026	Dr. PRD Humphrey Ltd Expert Medicolegal Co as a Neurologist	Elected in contested election 20 th July 2020 (as next highest

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						polling candidate when vacancy arose) and in contested election commencing 25 th Sept 2023
Merseyside	Ian Ferguson	25/9/23	1st	AMM 2026	None to declare	Elected in contested election commencing term of office on 25 th Sept 2023
Merseyside	Ian Balmer	25/9/23	1st	AMM 2026	Completed declaration of interest form required	
Cheshire	Ray Davis	12/10/21	1st	AMM 2024	None to declare	Elected in contested election 7 th September 2021
Cheshire	Denis McAllister	7/2/22	1st	AMM 2024	<p>I had an IT/ Web Design business, and still have a few clients ticking over - two of whom are health related. One an optician in Urmston and the other deals in health insurance. To the best of my knowledge neither has any relationship with LHCH.</p> <p>In May I am candidate (LibDem) for Lymm Parish Council.</p>	Invited to join CoG as next highest polling candidate in contested election - declaration of results 7 th September 2021
Cheshire	Allan Pemberton	01/10/15	3rd	AMM 2024	Public Adviser ARC North West Member of Stroke Roundtable UCLAN	<p>Elected uncontested 25th June 2015</p> <p>Re-elected uncontested 13th June 2018</p>

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						Re-elected in contested election 7 th September 2021
Cheshire	Stephen Storey	26/9/22	1st	AMM 2025	None to declare	Elected uncontested 11 th August 2022
North Wales	Joan Burgen	18/9/18	2nd	AMM 2024	None to declare	Elected uncontested 13 th June 2018 & 21 st July 2021
North Wales	Dusty Rhodes	7/6/18	3rd	AMM 2026	None to declare	Elected as next highest polling candidate (Report of Voting 1 st May 2018) Re-elected uncontested 30 th July 2020 Re-elected in contested election commencing term of office 25 th Sept 2023
North Wales	Peter Wareham	3/2/20	3rd	AMM 2026	None to declare	Elected as next highest polling candidate (Report of Voting 1 st May 2018) Re-elected uncontested 30 th July 2020 Re-elected in contested election commencing term of office 25 th Sept 2023
Rest of England & Wales	Seat currently vacant					

Staff Constituency	Name	Start Date	Term	End Date	Interests Declared	Notes
Registered and Non Registered Nurses	Michelle Beaver	26/9//2022	1st	AMM 2025	None to declare	Elected in contested election 29 th July 2022
Registered and Non Registered Nurses	Sharon Faulkner	22/9/19	2nd	AMM 2025	None to declare	Elected in contested election 26 th July 2019 and 29 th July 2022
Registered and Non Registered Nurses	Princey Santhosh	22/9/20	2nd	AMM 2026	None to declare	Elected in contested election 16 th Sept 20
Registered Medical Practitioners	Dr Jonathan Kendall	25/9/23	1st	AMM 2026	None to declare	
Allied Healthcare Professionals, Technical and Scientific	Dot Price	25/9/17	3rd	AMM 2026	None to declare	Elected uncontested 5 th June 2017 Re-elected contested election 16 th Sept 2020
Non Clinical	Lynsey Jackson	25/9/23	1 st	AMM 2026	None to declare	
Non Clinical	Keith Wilson	15/2/24	1st	AMM 2026	None to declare	

Nominated Governors/Partner Organisation	Name	Start Date	Term	End Date (Max 9 years)	Interests Declared	Notes
Liverpool City Council	Vacant	N/A	N/A		N/A	Awaiting appointment of new Liverpool City Council representative.
Liverpool John Moores University	Karen Higginbotham	25/2/2021	1st		I work for Liverpool John Moores University	
Friends of Robert Owen House	Wendy Caulfield	22/2/2019	1st		None to declare	
University of Liverpool	Neil French	24/10/2022	1st		I am a full-time employee at the University of Liverpool	