

Board of Directors Part II

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 7 February 2011
At Ashfields Primary Care Centre, Sandbach immediately following Part I

PRESENT

Mr J Moran		Chairman <i>in the chair</i>
Mrs R Alcock		Director of Workforce and Organisational Development
Mrs T Bullock	TB	Chief Executive
Mr M Chandler		Non-Executive Director
Mr WD Craig		Non-Executive Director
Dr PA Dodds		Deputy Chief Executive and Medical Director
Mrs D Frodsham		Director of Performance & Service Planning
Mrs V Godfrey		Non-Executive Director
Mr D Hopewell		Non-Executive Director
Mr M Oldham		Director of Finance & Strategic Planning
Mrs J Smith		Director of Nursing & Quality
Dr AH Wood		Deputy Chairman and Senior Independent Director

IN ATTENDANCE

Ms T Ames	Lead Governor
Ms M Steele	Acting Trust Secretary

APOLOGIES

Mr D Dunn	Non-Executive Director
Ms J Hartley	Acting Director of Nursing

*denotes action deriving from **resolutions** below

QUALITY SAFETY & EXPERIENCE

11.01.1.1(2) [Section Removed under S36 of the Freedom of Information Act]

Resolved

- To note the paper
- [Sentence removed under S36 of the Freedom of Information Act]

11.02.1.2(2) Mortality Review

Dr Dodds presented the paper noting the background to same. Dr Dodds detailed the methodology of the review and the outcome of same noting in particular the age group of the patients.

Dr Dodds advised the review had identified a number of areas of good practice whilst also highlighting a number of areas of improvement.

Dr Dodds noted no feedback had been received from the Care Quality Commission, to date, in response to the review.

Discussion took place regarding the link between clinicians and coders and Dr Dodds provided a detailed explanation of the coding process.

Resolved

- **To note the report**

FIT FOR PURPOSE INFRASTRUCTURE

11.02.2.1(2) MCHFT Maternity Services Strategy Review

Mrs Frodsham presented the paper noting the current range of maternity services provided and the potential future options for the service. Mrs Frodsham noted the preferred option was to continue to delivery high and low risk maternity services.

Mrs Frodsham noted the current financial position and the minimum investment required to include anaesthetist cover and midwifery support. Mrs Frodsham noted the key capital investment required. Mrs Frodsham advised confirmation of the tariff for 2011/12 is not yet available.

Mrs Frodsham noted the forecast recurrent trading position for obstetrics and also noted the impact of the provision of low risk maternity services only and the impact of a complete withdrawal of the service. In summarising, Mrs Frodsham recommended the Trust should continue to provide high and low risk maternity services.

[Paragraph removed under S43 of the Freedom of Information Act]

Discussion took place regarding the recommendation and it was agreed the decision made should be in the best interests of the Trust and in line with the Clinical Services Strategy.

Mrs Godfrey noted that should the Board of Directors agree to continue to provide maternity services, there must be a continued commitment to ensuring high quality patient care in terms of both staffing levels and infrastructure.

Resolve

- **To continue to deliver high and low risk maternity services as per the recommended option with a service review to be completed**

11.02.2.2(2) Neonatal Unit Charitable Bid

Mrs Frodsham presented the paper detailing the background to same. Mrs Frodsham [Sentence redacted under S43 of the Freedom of Information Act]. It was noted that the Board was very familiar with the issues relating to the provisions of neonatal services having reviewed them on a number of occasions in the past.

[Section removed under S43 of the Freedom of Information Act].

Resolved

- **To approve the Business Case**
- **To move to launch the charitable bid**

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None noted.

TIME, DATE AND PLACE OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

9.30am Monday, 7 March 2011 in the Board Room at Leighton Hospital (In Private).

Signed

Chairman

Date