The Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Public Trust Board of Directors
Friday 27 November 2026, 10:15 – 12:45
Piano Room, Royal Victoria Infirmary (RVI)

Apologies: Joanne Race, Martin Wilson

Agenda

	Time	Item	Purpose	Lead
1.	**Introduction**			
a.	10:15	Apologies for absence and declarations of interest	For discussion	Paul Ennals
b.	10:16	Minutes of the Public Board of Directors meeting held on 25 September 2026 and matters arising	For discussion & approval	Paul Ennals
c.	10:17	Chair's Report	For assurance	Paul Ennals
d.	10:22	Chief Executive Report	For assurance	Rob Harrison
e.	10:30	Committee Triple A reports	For discussion & assurance	Committee Chairs
2.	**Joining up care – working together to give people better, quicker access to effective care**			
a.	10:40	Trust Strategy update	For assurance	Patrick Garner
b.	10:48	Thirlwall Inquiry	For assurance	Ian Joy
c.	11:15	Board Visibility Programme	For assurance	Rachel Carter
d.	11:20	Integrated Board Report (IBR)	For assurance	Patrick Garner & Executive Leads
3.	**Advancing Care – improving patient care, effectiveness and quality through innovation, research, improvement and education**			
a.	11:30	Patient and Colleague Experiences	For assurance	Ian Joy
b.	11:35	Joint Medical Directors Report including: i) Guardian of Safe Working Report	For assurance	Michael Wright & Lucia Pareja-Cebrian
c.	11:45	Executive Director of Nursing, Midwifery and Allied Health Professionals (AHPs) report including: i) Bi-annual deep dive nurse staffing report	For assurance	Ian Joy

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		ii) Bi-annual deep dive Allied Health Professionals Workforce Report		
d.	11:55	Maternity update including: i) Perinatal Quality Oversight Report including Maternity Incentive Scheme progress report	For assurance	Jenna Wall
4.	**Supporting great care – supporting everyone to do their job to the best of their ability with effective leadership, a just and learning culture and modern digital and physical environments**			
a.	12:05	Freedom to Speak Up (FTSU) bi-annual update	For assurance	Rachel Carter, Kathryn Smart & Paula Dimarco
b.	12:15	Engagement update including approval of principles	For assurance	Caroline Docking & Kelly Jupp
5.	**Items to approve**			
a.	12:25	Board Assurance Framework (BAF)	For assurance & approval	Patrick Garner
b.	12:33	Charity update including: i) Impact Report ii) Annual Report and Accounts	For assurance & approval	Wendy Balmain & Caroline Docking
6.	**Items to receive *[To cover by exception only]***			
a.	12:39	Chief Digital Information Officer Report	For assurance	Dave Elliott
b.	12:43	Meeting Action Log	For assurance	Paul Ennals
7.	**Any other business**			
a.	12:44	Any other business	For discussion	All

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Sir Paul Ennals, Chair
Mr Rob Harrison, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Ms Wendy Balmain, Vice Chair
Mr Ian Joy, Executive Director of Nursing, Midwifery and Allied Health Professionals
Dr Lucia Pareja-Cebrian, Joint Executive Medical Director
Dr Michael Wright, Joint Executive Medical Director
Mr Patrick Garner, Director of Performance and Governance
Mrs Rachel Carter, Director of Quality and Safety
Mr Dave Elliott, Chief Digital Information Officer
Mrs Caroline Docking, Director of Communications and Corporate Affairs
Mrs Jenna Wall, Director of Midwifery
Mrs Kelly Jupp, Trust Secretary
Ms Kathryn Smart, Freedom to Speak Up Guardian (FTSUG)
Ms Paula Dimarco, FTSUG