

Trust Board Meeting: Thursday 1 March 2012
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Title	Progress report on application for Foundation Trust Status
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Status	A paper for information
History	Foundation Trust Development Timeline, November 2011 (paper 2011.57) Agreement by the Trust Board of Membership Strategy, January 2012 (paper 2012.04)

Board Lead(s)	Mr Andrew Stevens, Director of Planning and Information			
Key purpose	Strategy	Assurance	Policy	Performance

1	As part of a process agreed in 2011 and reflected in a Tripartite Foundation Trust Agreement (TFA) with the Department of Health and NHS South Central (available from the OUH website www.ouh.nhs.uk), the Trust produced draft plans for the future in December 2011 for consideration and review by the Strategic Health Authority (SHA).
2	<p>During January and February, feedback has been received from the SHA on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oxford University Hospitals' first draft Integrated Business Plan (IBP); • An associated first draft Long-Term Financial Model (LTFM); • Existing arrangements for quality governance; and • A 'shadow' Historical Due Diligence exercise, conducted by the SHA to inform independent assessment during 2012 of the Trust's financial history and governance.
3	Through programmes of work being conducted by its clinically-led Divisions and with the involvement of GPs and other commissioners, as well as with a number of partner organisations, a revised strategic approach to the Trust's services is being developed. This is taking account of partnership work in Oxfordshire to develop services which reduce delays, especially to discharge, for people receiving unplanned care; of the needs of a wider referral network served by the Trust; and of the recognised need in the current economic climate to deliver services which are both excellent and affordable.
4	Alongside updates based on the helpful feedback received, this strategic work will lead to a second draft IBP and LTFM, to be considered by the Board for approval on 16 May, prior to submission to the SHA at the end of that month.
5	<p>Since the Board agreed the Trust's Membership Strategy in January (paper 2012.04), work has begun to produce materials and a programme of meetings and events to recruit members. Information will be at www.ouh.nhs.uk/ft</p> <p>These events and meetings will seek to gain members and also to inform patients, staff, partner organisations and others with a stake in the organisation's future (including commissioners and local authorities) about OUH's proposals for how it would be governed as a Foundation Trust, using the proposals agreed as part of the Membership Strategy.</p> <p>This 'pre-consultation' will lead to a proposed consultation paper for consideration by the Board in June, in accordance with the TFA timescale which has a public consultation starting in late June.</p>

The Board is asked to **note** progress.

Mr Andrew Stevens, Director of Planning and Information

Mr Jonathan Horbury, Foundation Trust Programme Director

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