

Celebrating at 60

I want the Foundation Trust concept and engagement with the community to be a success.

I want our hospitals to become place of Trust, excellent care, comfort and much more patient friendly upon admission.

This is a form of democratic control of the NHS Trust.

From gratitude for the excellent treatment I have received from NHS hospitals (Mount Vernon Cancer Centre in particular) and to support what they achieve.

Health is so important to everyone, and I am interested in learning about supporting the trust and its workings.

This is the best way to support the E&NH NHS trust
to make members views heard and noticed.
Getting involved matters.

I am a retired NHS employee and would like to keep in touch with events.

I am interested in how plans and decisions are made at local level
because at the moment it is a complete mystery to me.

I was born in the same year as the NHS and have benefited from it all
of my life.

My late husband suffered with MS for 28 years and relied on the NHS
for support.

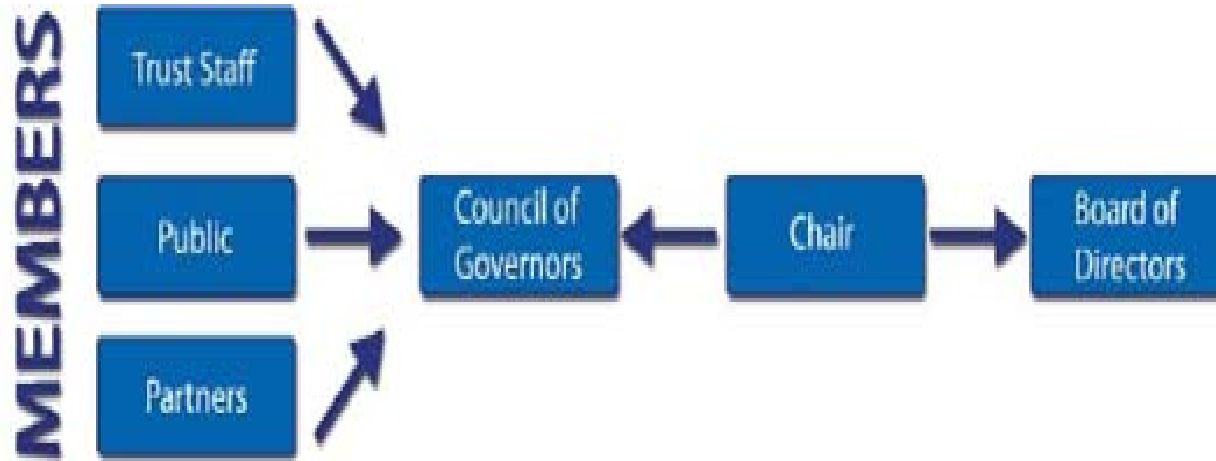
I'm about to retire from work and would like to 'give something back.'

I like to know how and where
my health services are being delivered

I am interested in improving care for cancer patients and the elderly.

Having received wonderful treatment at the Lister Hospital after a major operation, there are always things that should be improved/changed and consider patients can help to supply this type of information

Every hospital needs to listen to the public they represent,
and one way is become involved in that process.



Aim: By the time we become a foundation trust we want to have the support of over 5,000 public members.

We are over halfway there now with more than:

125 members in Broxbourne

463 members in Mount Vernon Catchment Area

242 members in Central Bedfordshire and Luton

327 members in East Hertfordshire

469 members in North Hertfordshire and South Cambridgeshire

284 members in Stevenage

385 members in Welwyn Hatfield



Sylvia Diggory (née Beckingham), 13,
was chosen as the first ever NHS patient.

Double hip op makes history

AN orthopaedic consultant has performed a world first in hip replacement surgery at WGC's QE2 Hospital.

Harish Parmar, of Welwyn, performed the first double hip replacement using a new technique on a Hertfordshire man recently.

Colin Moss, of Hoddesdon, had been in agonising pain for 15 years before his operation in June.

The 50-year-old man was allowed out of hospital within four days and was able to visit the gym after two weeks.

Until now it has been very rare for a double hip replacement to be performed in one procedure.

Traditionally one 30 centimetre incision is made along the hip and through the muscle. The new Zimmer surgery involves two smaller cuts being made and the muscle is moved out of the way to improve the patient's recovery rate.

The operation takes around two hours to complete and the patient could leave hospital within 24 hours, a vast improvement on the average 11-day recovery for a standard hip replacement.

For a list of surgeons currently able to perform the operation visit www.misorthosurgery.com

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