

CANDIDATES' ELECTION STATEMENTS

Election to the Council of Governors

Public: Manchester

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Dr Syed Nayyer Abidi



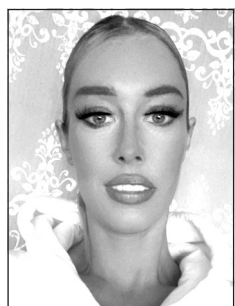
I am blessed with a huge social network and have excellent interpersonal, communication, organisational, fundraising, presentation, negotiation and mediation skills. I am a public health specialist, and a known community activist, based in the heart of Manchester with a particular interest in health improvement and raising health awareness of the general public. During 1998-2000, he worked in the Radiology Department of North Manchester General Hospital as Clinical Assistant. In April 2002, I launched my U.K's first-ever bilingual (English/Urdu) book. Between 2003-2006 I served as CEO of British Ethnic Health Awareness Foundation (BEHAF) Trust and organised 30 national health awareness seminars in Greater Manchester area. Being a senior doctor, I can bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to represent local people at the board level where policies and decisions are made. I was honoured by HM Queen with an MBE in 2012 for my health services for the wider community. In 2013, I was appointed by HM Queen as Deputy Lieutenant of Greater Manchester County. Since then, I have been representing the GMLO in various social, educational, civic, ceremonial, medical, charitable and community cohesion events across the Greater Manchester area.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Sammiejo Boylan



Born and bred in the Manchester area. Excellent understanding of the NHS and how it works and believe I can make a difference for the better for the people and myself.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: to help all that need

Dr Helen Burgess



The 75th anniversary of the NHS this year highlighted the dramatic changes it has undergone since the first person was treated at Park Hospital in Manchester on 5th July 1948. The founding principles, to provide universal healthcare free at the point of contact, remain as relevant today as they were then. Despite the enormous challenges it currently faces with record waiting times and a staffing emergency it remains a symbol of national pride and everyone has, at some time in their life, been grateful to the NHS and the people who within it.

I have worked in the NHS for nearly 40 years, 34 of them as a GP in South Manchester, and during this time, have come to know the MFT hospitals well professionally, as a patient and as a carer. I would like to use the knowledge, experience and wisdom I have gained to support MFT to achieve its vision and values to improve the health and quality of life of the diverse population of

Manchester by building an organisation that provides high quality, compassionate care.

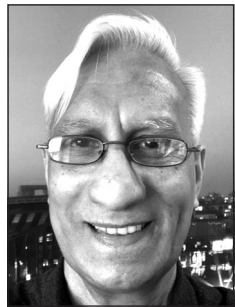
Having now retired from General Practice, I have the time and energy to commit to this important position. I enjoy engaging with staff and patients and have wide experience of board membership gained over 20 years serving as a primary care clinical lead in a variety of roles.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Zulf Choudhary



I am applying for the role of Governor as I have a passionate commitment to the NHS and patient engagement. I consider myself caring, conscientious, and open minded, which is vital for this role. I can enrich the board with my experience in governance, risk and management to improve patient care. I have a MA in economics and history with director level experience of 40 years in tech projects and change management.

- I have successfully managed projects with Manchester, Stockport, and Sheffield councils; managed the BBC Stringsta, for multimedia content; I have been involved in EU projects, with cross border partners, in CROSS, STORM, SIMPATICO, and Manchester 'Cityverve' projects, as just a few. I have collaborated with CAMHS, Manchester, to evaluate the effectiveness of games for young self-harm sufferers.
- I am currently working on AI for mental health in partnership with Manchester Metropolitan University, and University of Manchester.
- I am active member of EU CERIS group, looking into disaster risk recovery strategies in Europe.
- I am a member of the Greater Manchester Business Hub mentoring team.
- I am keen to ensure good governance in anything we do to help the community.
- I understand ethnic minorities and their issues.

Your vote for me is vote for putting patients at the centre and enabling a culture of valuing and supporting NHS staff.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Abdul Chowdhury



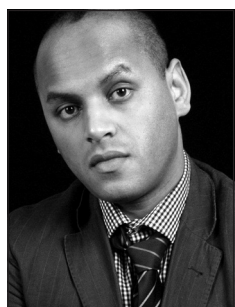
I would want to be a governor, because I like to help people in general and elderly people and I like to do these jobs in my free time as well, in my neighbourhood. And I believe I can qualify for this program as I have many skills. And I would like to increase medical research on treatments and reducing the cost of prescriptions and add some may not be able to afford expensive drugs do to the inflammation. And I'm also want to help improve mental health services.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Seb Chowdhury



VOTE SEB No.1 FOR PUBLIC GOVERNOR

Why would I like to be elected Governor? As a Service User of the NHS, I understand the pressures of the service. I would like to build on what we have.

I have been;Governor for three terms for the Manchester College (which is the largest FE College in the UK),Scrutiny Panellist for Eastland Homes (One Manchester),Fan's Forum Membership Rep. for Manchester United for two terms,Co-Chair of ALLfm Radio for six months whilst working within community radio for ten years.

Communication is important when it comes to effective leadership and spending a decade in community radio I believe I can bring that to the Trust. Currently I am the Committee Chair for a local community centre & have been a Cultural Ambassador for one of the largest housing providers in the North West for several years.

I would ensure that;Ensure the accountability of the membership & the communities that we serve,Communicating effectively with our members and the public and developing networks to engage with the wider community including minority groups, Helping to recruit new members. I pledge to represent the interests of patients, carers, the public, stakeholders & staff and to work with the NHS Foundation Trust and our Board of Directors.I look forward to working with you all.

As a truly independent candidate who has Governor experience I can bring the level of change needed to make the Trust a strong and progressive organisation going forward.

VOTE SEB No. 1 FOR PUBLIC GOVERNOR

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Darren Cunningham



Hello, I have lived in Manchester for all of my 51 years and seen a lot of change. Change is a constant. As an IT Project Manager in the Financial Services for 24 years, I understand why and how decisions have to be made. The balance of risk and quality has a fine line with limited resources. I hope to bring those experiences of working through tough scenarios to the role.

The best feedback I received during my career was that I was the "Voice of Reason". Listening to all sides, taking into account all the information and driving through those tough decisions that may not be easy, and may not please everyone, but is the right decision.

My sister died two years ago from oesophagus cancer at the Manchester Royal Infirmary, and ten years previous my Mum passed away from ill health there too, so I understand the pain and at times frustrations of families when their loved ones are in hospital. I want to be your voice of reason, and be able to make a difference for the community, by reaching out, either on-line, face to face or via email. Understanding your needs and airing your views.

Many thanks

Darren

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Lisa Johnson



I'm in a unique position to represent you as a public governor. I've been a patient at Wythenshaw Hospital, have an "invisible" disability and I'm a registered nurse.

I've worked for the NHS and private sectors in Women's Healthcare, Surgery and Intensive Care. I already have knowledge of health issues, policies and governance.

I intend to represent the public's best interests while supporting the trust in their decision making, use of fund's and service provision.

Professionally and personally, I work with principles of honesty, integrity, candour and compassion. I pledge to ensure the trust is working in accordance with these principles to do its absolute best for you and for all demographics in our community.

I will represent the public by holding the trust accountable and to ensure they are working efficiently and economically.

I have particular passion regarding complex health needs and invisible disability. It can be difficult to navigate the "system" and to understand the terminology. I do what I can now as an individual to support my patients.

I have a strong voice!

I want to use that voice on a larger scale. I can see the challenges faced from both sides of the coin.

I love our NHS. I feel I have a responsibility to protect it. I want to apply my experience as a service user and a service provider to find solutions. I want to see appropriate support for whoever needs it.

From cradle to grave.

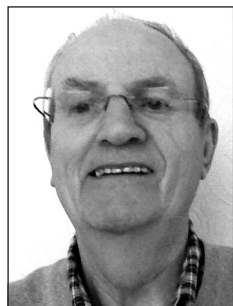
For you, for now and for the future.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Dr Michael Kelly



In 2013, I came into close contact with Secondary Care – the Manchester Royal Infirmary – when one Friday morning, I collapsed in Evans, the Fish Shop in Didsbury, with a Cardiac Arrest – I know and remember nothing about this, waking up 2 days later to find myself in Intensive Care in the MRI in the careful hands of the greatest cardiac team, and my family – I was completely unaware of what had happened, and apparently was not a model patient at all – but the key thing was that I was still alive, due to

- Phil, behind the counter in the shop had learnt CPR (though he had never used it before) – he successfully restored my heart-beat

- The great ambulance medics did it twice more in the ride to MRI.

- The Cardiac Team worked all afternoon to bring me back.

- The nursing team in Intensive Care continued the process.

My chief volunteering motivation is to contribute to the reduction of health inequalities in Manchester – I am particularly motivated to keeping our NHS focussed, well-resourced, effective, and free at the point of use. I hope to fulfil this role through being part of the chain of scrutiny, which for Trust Governors involves holding the Non-Executive Directors to account for their actions in the work of the Trust, and representing the general public at the meetings of the Trust – I hope you will therefore consider my continued election to the Governing Council worthy of your vote.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: The Labour Party

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

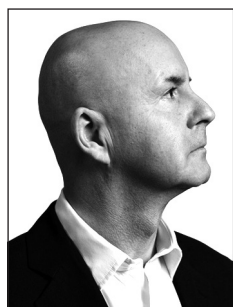
Michael Kelly: Attendance during current 2nd Term of Office (3-year period: September 2020 – current date)

2020		2021					2022					2023			Total
10 th Nov	24 th Nov	10 th Feb	30 th Mar	12 th May	21 st July	24 th Nov	9 th Feb	25 th May	13 th July	7 th Nov	14 th Dec	8 th Feb	2 nd May	12 th July	
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	x	✓	✓	✓	x	✓	✓	✓= 13/15 attendances

Key = ✓ - Attended

X – Did Not Attend

Dr Mark Andrew McDowall



I'm a 64 year old gay man living in South Manchester (Brooklands/Wythenshawe). I have enjoyed the privilege of living in the UK for the entirety of my life, ...so I have lived my life within a society that affords me freedom of expression and that has supported and enabled me on my life journey (e.g. access to first class NHS health care free of charge at the point of delivery). I have benefited from living in a society where the 'rule of law prevails' and where a diversity of opinion is embraced, ...I appreciate that privilege! I believe that as a recipient of good fortune I should, in later life, 'repay my debt' to the society that generously nurtured me – by contributing through voluntary service. I am by training a life scientist and so have relevant analytical/managerial skills. I'm a 'bog standard' person of good character (e.g. I currently serve as Magistrate). My objective in standing for this office is to be of service, and to contribute constructively to my community.

I recognise that the consequences of our society's demographic (i.e. ageing), the rising cost of new therapies (e.g. Monoclonal antibody based drugs), and the challenge of new threats posed by pathogens invigorated by climate change, and antibacterial resistance, etc., will be significant in my lifetime. I accept that the NHS must make pragmatic choices in the face of such strategic challenges, and that the community must be present 'in the room' when those tough decisions are made.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Shafiq Mohammad



I have worked in the NHS as a financial controller in my previous job and have a good understanding of NHS finances and have worked with NHS clinical directors in ensuring that a value for money service is delivered to the satisfaction of our patients.

I am a Chartered Accountant along with an MBA from University of Manchester. I currently manage my own practice. I have worked in private and public sector and hold wealth of experience in managing public finances with the view to ensuring, at the time of limited funds, most of the funds are targeted to the frontline services.

I am also currently engaged in local charitable work. I am a director of Communities for All CIO (a registered charitable organisation) whose main aim is to help and support local youth work, holding health seminars for the local Manchester community, helping the homeless across our city along with providing wide range of activities for our elderly population.

As a local Mancunian, I wish to give back to the community in the form of offering my hard earned expertise to the betterment of our local residents.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: Labour party

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Tariq Nadeem



Information not provided.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Alexandrina Nulle Tchernon Gomes Mendy



I want to be elected because I want to contribute by helping the country and the government.

1- I candidate for the council governor, I am committed to working hard to represent the needs of interest of our community. My top priorities include improving access to affordable housing supporting small businesses and promoting sustainable development. If I am elected I will work tirelessly to ensure that our community remains a great place to live in, work and raise a family.

2- I would work tirelessly to defend the government against those who seek to undermine it through corruption and other illegal activities. I believe that transparency and accountability are essential to building a strong, healthy democracy, and I would work to promote these values in all levels of government. If elected, I will be a strong advocate for the rule of law and will work to

ensure that our government represents the best interests of all citizens, not just a privileged few.

3- I think it's important for council governors to take a strong stance against fraud and other forms of corruption. If elected, I will work closely with law enforcement and other government agencies to ensure that those who engage in fraudulent activities are held accountable. At the same time, I will also work to educate the public about the dangers of fraud and the steps they can take to protect themselves. Together, we can build a stronger, more resilient community that is better equipped to deal with the challenges of the future.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Terence O'Neill



Hi Terence O'Neill I have lived in the Manchester all my life I am 76 years of age in my time I have seen a lot of things and I would like to bring this to the table as a governor I have a lot of experience in many different areas I make good governor and always do it for the people I represent I am married I have 3 children and I have a lovely little dog and I still play walking football to keep fit and would love to do something for the community I have worked in the health industry for many years in the community thank you Terry

Declaration of Interests:
Political Party: None
Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Qasim Sabar



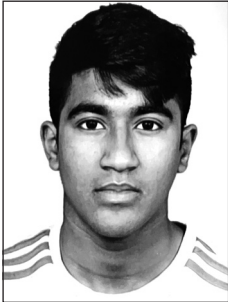
I believe the public view isn't represented in the currently in the trust. My desire to be come a governor will enable me to listen to public concerns and represent them including various culture differing.

i believe i can provide a more holistic view of the public concerns.

i am also an active community member as i am a school governor in my local school.

Declaration of Interests:
Political Party: None
Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Joel Saldanha



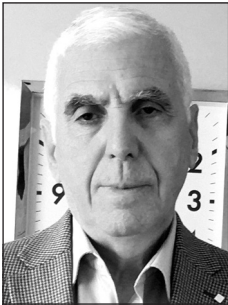
I am standing for governor as I want to further help the wider community. I have researched about the MFT and I believe that this growing project is great in developing healthcare in the communities. Healthcare has always been a subject that intrigues me; especially how companies in charge such as the NHS manage to sustainably progress via new methods involving the public. I am honoured to have the privilege of receiving help from the NHS at any time and I believe that this should remain the case for everyone. However, for this to remain the place there has to be even more done by the wider community and so I speak on behalf of especially the younger generation so that healthcare can be sustainably managed. There are many areas outside the hospital which needs prioritising such as development in education and communications so that the NHS can keep flourishing.

I have previous experience of leadership roles such as prefect and captain of the school football team. From these roles I have learnt how to involve to everyone precisely as everyone has unique yet important contributions. Therefore, I will ensure every group (disabilities,elderly,youth etc,) are all heard. In addition to this, I also bring many other skills such as critical thinking and public speaking which would be crucial for this role.

I was invited to the trust a few years ago face-to-face and since then I've been waiting for an opportunity such as this to play my part.

Declaration of Interests:
Political Party: None
Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Dr Majid Shukur



I lived in Manchester since 1978 and finished my study at Manchester University in the field of (Health care Administration) and my research was on (Patient Dependency).

I worked with the United Nations as a Head of the hospital management development project overseas for over of 6 years, and team leader of food and medication inspection for over 4 years.

I have an interest in healthcare and care about improving health services for the good of the whole community and developing stronger links between the NHS and the community it serves. It is a great way to ensure all the views are heard and considered in our future plans and to link up with patients and NHS staff to make a real difference in the experience of healthcare.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Rev. William Simoes



I am a Senior and Founder Pastor of Word of Life International Church in Wythenshawe since 2007. I was born in Brazil and moved to England in June/2000. I was graduated at Manchester University in Mental Health Nurse (BSc) and was working as Health Care Assistant and Support Worker also since 2002. As have a large experience deal with people with different culture and social class. I will be able to contribute strongly for this kind of responsibility and as part of NHS/ Private sector also I believe I can help and support people in their needs. I hope I have chance to demonstrate that in a practical thing.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Geraldine Simon



I wish to become a Governor as I want to work with a Trust with an outstanding reputation for patient care and with my experience I could enhance this role. As a Family Solicitor I deal with Clients who are at their most vulnerable, sometimes suffering with mental health issues. I have also mentored members of staff. In both cases this involves listening, providing reassurance and boosting their confidence. Within the NHS I am involved in the Hive NHS Information System. I am a Governor at a local primary school and a member of disciplinary and pay review panels. Within the local community I am a guide at a local museum; I am involved in co-ordinating an annual charity project involving all areas of the community and ages and I am involved in organising a community library. I feel that I can bring to this role a variety of professional and personal skills enabling me to consider both sides of a situation with understanding and empathy,

and also an ordered, logical and rational approach. I will endeavour to give those who believe that no-one is listening to them "a voice." I would hope that I could be a conduit between patients and the Trust to represent both fairly. I am excited by the challenge of working in this new environment and also of maintaining the ideals of the NHS and the legal system, namely that both should be freely available to all, no matter their race, religion or financial situation.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Mariana Stoiculet



I am working in health and social care industry for almost a year. I am a senior career & nursing assistant and recently graduated in Business Management with Healthcare with First Class Honors. During my experience as the industry I get to understand numerous challenges as well inequalities and various changes in how the healthcare system operates. Pandemic was an eye opener, I was a front line worker, I even worked six days long shifts during pandemics and I really felt the struggle. During my academic year, I did the research on NHS and I got to understand the challenges they are facing as well how many inequalities are existent.

I can support the board of directors with critical reviews of the NHS , the newest version on leadership, qualitative and quantitative statistics research and new ideas on how the NHS perhaps will operate in the nearest future. My main concern is communication between health and social care institutions and NHS bodies, youth mental health, men mental health and the workload of health and social workers and I want to contribute on improving these aspects.

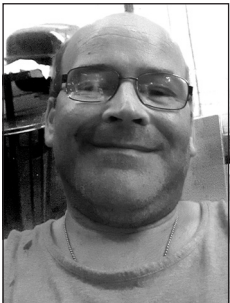
I am looking forward to hear from you!

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Gererd T-J Butler



I am considered to be a reliable and hardworking individual with a good sense humor. I have experience as a mental health support worker in a independent private hospital.also stood as vice chair and chair for the Manchester mental health and social care nhs trust ppi forum

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: Labour

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

Grantley Ludlow Vernon



I want to be a governor because I will provide a good service.and want to make sure patient get the best help possible and staff members are treated with respect for the good work they do and the hospital name be rated as one of the highest in the world.

Declaration of Interests:

Political Party: None

Financial or other interest in the Trust: None

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