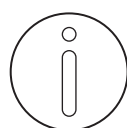


# CANDIDATES' ELECTION STATEMENTS

**Election to the Council of Governors**

Public: Trafford

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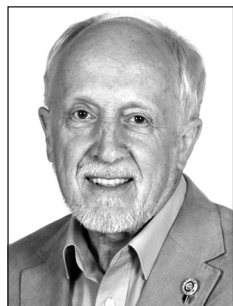


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## Chris Boyes



I was Trafford's Nominated Governor at Wythenshawe, and at MFT from its inception, until recently ceasing to be a local Councillor.

I volunteered because I am particularly interested in every aspect of the NHS, having been treated by over a dozen consultants in most hospital departments. None of the conditions was life threatening, although I have been an in-patient at both Wythenshawe and MRI.

The role of Governor is demanding of one's time, with prospectively up to twenty meetings and site visits each year. These take place during working hours, each lasting around four hours. Being retired I have sufficient time to commit.

My attendance at MFT Council of Governors during my latest three-year term was 100%.

Governors have a duty to hold to account the non-Executive Directors who in turn do likewise to the Board for its performance. MFT is a huge entity and I believe Governors have, with the non-Executive Directors, a duty to consider and scrutinise the following areas.

- Clinical Care and Patient Safety
- Financial Management
- Development and Maintenance of the Estate, Infrastructure and Resources
- Strategic Forward Planning in which Governors have a significant part to play.

As importantly, Public Governors represent their constituents and must deliver two-way communication. They must therefore be able to network among them.

Living in Trafford for over 50 years, I believe my contacts with residents, coupled with a wide-ranging experience of the world of work, plus previous Governor experience, qualifies me for a further period of office.

### Declaration of Interests:

**Political Party:** the Conservative Party

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

Chris Boyes – Former Nominated Governor – Attendance during 2<sup>nd</sup> Term of Office = 3 years (September 2020 – June 2023)

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Key = ✓ - Attended

X – Did Not Attend

## Dr Constance (Connie) CHEN



I would be honoured to serve on behalf of MFT members on the Council of Governors.

My roots are in Trafford. I'm a longstanding resident. I started my NHS career at Trafford General (Park) and completed GP training in Timperley. My Chorlton-based GP practice catchment area included parts of Old Trafford and Stretford.

My particular interest is in the health of our children and young people (CYP). I am familiar with those CYP services MFT provides – in the community and hospital settings following my long experience as a local GP and CYP Clinical Lead for Manchester CCG. I retired last year.

I know that providing patient-centred care can be difficult sometimes - balancing individual need with the availability of (or lack of) appropriate services. Also a patient's priority may not be the same as his/her healthcare team's. I endorse MFT's aim to deliver high quality patient care. Active community and staff involvement is needed to support this.

In the Manchester and Trafford Long Covid team, we worked closely with Children's Community Services and RMCH to develop the paediatric Long Covid Service. We heard patients' and parents' experiences directly and learnt from Healthwatch Trafford's report. Listening to MFT members' experiences of services, will help me contribute to the Council's role in holding the Directors to account.

I really enjoyed working in the citywide Covid vaccination clinics. Our teams of vaccinators, support staff and fantastic volunteers demonstrated the best of the NHS. We need each other!

### Declaration of Interests:

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** My daughter is an honorary consultant at MFT.

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## Margaret Elizabeth Clarke



I have previously served as a governor for Trafford, so I already have some experience in this position. I greatly enjoyed representing you between 2019 and 2022 asking questions on your behalf, and responding to your enquiries and I would be happy to do so again.

During the past year I have attended some of the Board meetings as an ordinary member of the MFT, just to keep myself informed and up to date.

I am a retired Registered General Nurse, with over 40 years experience in a variety of different nursing fields. This has made me particularly aware of problems that can arise between clinicians and patients. I believe that waiting lists and the loss of staff are one of the main problems facing the NHS at this time the in most areas.

During my career I held some management roles. As an example I was employed as a staff nurse at the Nightingale Centre where I was the senior nurse, responsible for overseeing many aspects of management.

For many years I was a Brownie Guide Leader, which involved planning of weekly meetings, camping and day trips, and dealing with financing and fund raising.

I believe that being an advocate is an important aspect of this role, speaking up and questioning management and other personnel on your behalf.

If elected I will work hard to represent you.

**Declaration of Interests:**

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

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## Patrick Dervan



I was motivated to become a governor to help the trust provide better care for those people like myself that use the service and their carers along with providing better support to staff. I have been a patient numerous times and the care has been outstanding from having a knee operation to prostate cancer. I found staff to be caring and committed and would like to give something back if I could.

**Declaration of Interests:**

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

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## Martin Jackson



I have worked at Executive Level in Retail, Leisure, Financial Services and the Third Sector giving me a wealth of experience in customer facing and stakeholder accountable environments. I have served as an Independent Non-Executive Director for 8 years in the non-profit sector and have a thorough understanding of Governance, Safeguarding and Fiscal Responsibility.

I have lived in Trafford for over 30 years and would relish the opportunity to contribute to the Community and its Health Service.

**Declaration of Interests:**

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

## Uttam Kumar

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I have worked on various leadership roles and currently working as a VP within one of the reputed banking firm but I am a more like a community person who is always willing to make a positive impact in individual's life and to the wider communities even if this comes on a cost to waking up at 2am in the morning. Helping people and community is my passion and I am well recognised for this. I applied to this place so that I can work as a bridge between NHS and local communities and enable both to win together. I am pretty confident that I will play a significant role in connecting dots between NHS and local communities and communicating what is a 'GOOD' like for both by using my leadership skills; exposure to NHS medical fraternity and by articulating why people doesn't fit in NHS shoes and why they thing NHS doesn't meet individuals expectations and failing to see NHS's fighting priorities and limitations.

### Declaration of Interests:

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

## Tracey Milburn



I'm an ex drug user and smoker.. I've kicked both habits. I've been through the mental health system as a patient and I believe I can offer a lot of support for others in my situation, whether it's with illicit drug use or mental health.

### Declaration of Interests:

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

## Jane Reader



Over the past 6 years I have had the privilege of representing Trafford as a Manchester Foundation Trust Governor and previously for 8 years as Trafford Governor at the University Hospital of South Manchester gaining extensive experience and being totally committed to the Governor role.

I have lived in Sale for over 50 years. For 40 years prior to my retirement I worked at Wythenshawe Hospital in Cardiology and as Transplant Coordinator for the Cardiothorasic Transplant Unit, being elected at that time to the UK Transplant Cardiac Advisory Group.

During my time as a Governor I have been Chair of the Membership Group at both Trusts.

Covid made it incredibly difficult for all, especially our wonderful staff. Governor involvement was limited but now much more active. I have been involved in the interviews for two Non-Executive

Directors and been a Governor panel member of the Council of Governor Nominations Committee. Also being involved in the Patient led Assessments of the Care Environment at the Trust.

I am fully dedicated to the NHS and having a strong belief in the freedom to deliver a high quality, safe and effective caring service to all. By continuing to work on your behalf my priority is especially to Trafford residents.

I am confident I can offer significant and total commitment to the Trust as a Governor for Trafford. Thank you.

### Declaration of Interests:

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

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

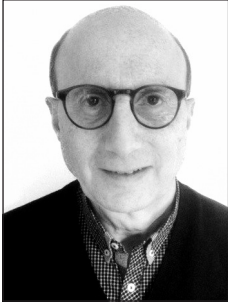
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X – Did Not Attend

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# Richard Simon



My working background has been Operational Management in the Retail Sector for 40 years but in addition I worked for 9 years as the UK Regional Director for Magen David Adom which is Israel's Red Cross Organisation.

Now retired, I am a member of the Altrincham Civic Society and Town Centre Working Group, a past Chairman of the Shaare Hayim Synagogue in Hale Barns and currently a Trustee and also a Mentor for the Growth Company.

As a patient, I have some knowledge of how Hospitals work and feel that with my 'operational management' skills, I have something to offer the Trust.

**Declaration of Interests:**

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None



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