Ashford and St. Peter's Hospitals
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COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS			
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Title of paper	Governor Activities		
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Committee(s) where paper has been discussed previously and outcome of discussion:			
Strategic Objective(s)			

Quality of Care		**People**		**Modern Healthcare**		**Digital**		**Collaborate**	

Executive Summary	
This paper provides a short summary of the activities of the Governors since the last Council of Governors meeting.	
Recommendation	For: Decision ☐ Discussion ☐ Information ☒
Key issues: State impact/implications and mitigation	
Quality, safety & patient impact	
Employee	
Other stakeholder(s)	
Equality, diversity & inclusion	
Finance	
Legal	
Risk(s) Identified (include link to Corporate Risk Register / Strategic (Board Assurance Framework) Risks:	

Governor Activities

Since the last meeting update of Governors' activities at the Council of Governors on 11th December 2024, the Governors have been involved in a number of wide-ranging activities across the Trust. These have included:

16th December, 27th January and 10th March	**Healing Arts Steering Group**	Andy Brown and Shirley Holmes attended as members of this meeting.
14th January	**Patient Panel**	Andy Brown attended as a member of this meeting.
22nd January	**Finance and Performance Committee**	Denis Wright and Trevor Sherwood observed this meeting.
23rd January	**Quality of Care Committee**	Ellen Nicholson and Shirley Holmes observed this meeting.
23rd January	**People Committee**	Gavin Wood and Shirley Holmes observed this meeting.
13th February	**Chertsey Museum**	Shirley Holmes and Andy Brown attended to learn about St Peter's untold stories.
24th February	**Charitable Funds Committee**	Andy Brown attended this meeting.
31st January	**Schwartz Round**	Shirley Holmes and Andy Brown attended to hear from colleagues from different areas talking about experiences that had found amazing and filled them with joy.
6th February	**Staff Governor meeting**	Staff Governors met with the Chief People Officer to share feedback from staff and were updated on initiatives.
13th February	**Trust Board**	Sue Bell, Chad Lake, Shirley Holmes and Heather Hall observed the meeting.
17th February	**Council agenda setting meeting**	Governors met to discuss the forward plan and any additional agenda items they would like included at the next Council of Governors meeting.
26th February	**Patient Experience Group**	Amongst the usual items of business the new Chief Nursing Officer attended to talk about his first impressions and plans for the future.
28th February	**Schwartz Round**	Shirley Holmes, Andy Brown, Denis Wright, Tracey Bradshaw, Michael Smith and Mark Williams attended to hear from internationally educated

		colleagues talking about their experience of moving to the UK to work.
6th March	**Constitution Committee**	Members of the committee met to discuss amendments to the Constitution.
7th March	**Wayfinding at Ashford Hospital**	Andy Brown attended to assist with this initiative.
10th March	**Learning from Patient Experience**	Andy Brown attended this regular meeting.
Various dates	**Trust Pantomime**	Several Governors attended to experience the special performance put on by the Trust.