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

Executive Summary
This report provides an update on the Council of Governors elections which are currently underway.

Recommendation	For: Decision ☐ Discussion ☐ Information ☒
Key issues: State impact/implications and mitigation (detailed info should be in the report)	
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:	

Council of Governor Elections 2025

Thirteen Governors are due to come to the end of their current terms on 30 November 2025 with elections due to take place in the following constituencies:

Constituency	**Number of positions up for election**
Elmbridge	3
Hounslow, Kingston-upon-Thames, Richmond-upon Thames and Rest of England	2
Spelthorne	3
Woking and Guildford	3
Staff – Allied Health Professionals, Healthcare scientists, HCAs	1
Staff – Nursing and Midwifery	1
Total:	13 vacancies

All existing Governors in the constituencies above are able to stand again.

Election Timetable

Election Stage	**Timetable**
Notice of Election / Nominations Open	Monday 18 August 2025
Nominations Deadline	Thursday 11 September 2025
Voting packs despatched	Tuesday 14 October 2025
Close of Election	Thursday 13 November 2025
Declaration of results	Friday 14 November 2025

Nominations Stage

With one week still to go until the nominations deadline, we have currently received the following nominations:

Constituency	**Current Nominations**
Elmbridge	4
Hounslow, Kingston-upon-Thames, Richmond-upon Thames and Rest of England	1
Spelthorne	4
Woking and Guildford	7
Staff – Allied Health Professionals, Healthcare scientists, HCAs	3
Staff – Nursing and Midwifery	4
Total:	23 nominations

Current nominations indicate that all elections will be contested apart from in the constituency of Hounslow, Kingston-upon-Thames, Richmond-upon-Thames and Rest of England.