

Council of Governors

13 March 2024

Report Title:	Council of Governors' Election Timetable
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Approval

Discussion

Information

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Executive summary

At the previous meeting held in December, 2023 a brief update was provided on the process for the next elections.

The timetable is confirmed, with a revised list of seats to be vacated also presented:

Tuesday 26 March	Nomination process opens/Notice of Election
w/c 8/15 April, dates being confirmed	Virtual events to explain the role and offer support to nominees, involving independent election provider
Thursday 25 April	Nomination deadline
Tuesday 30 April	Final date for candidate withdrawal
Friday 17 May	Notice of Poll Published
Monday 20 May	Voting packs dispatched
5pm, Thursday 13 June	Voting closes
Friday 14 June	Declaration of results to Trust Secretary
Thursday 20 June	Report to Council of Governors
Sunday 30 June	Governors' term of office ends for those with contested seats or who have met their term limit
Monday 1 July	New Council of Governors in place
Early July, date to be confirmed	Council induction – for all Governors

Action Required of the Council

The Council is invited to **note** the election timetable.

Council of Governors terms of office February 2024 – for 2024 elections

Public Governors (18)

		Number of seats for election
Colchester (4)		
Caroline Bowden	Term 2 to 31 October 2025	3
David Guest*	Term 1 to 30 June 2024	
Alison Ruffell*	Term 1 to 30 June 2024	
Vacant		
Rest of Essex (5)		
James Chung*	Term 1 to 30 June 2024	4
Martin Nixon	Term 1 to 31 October 2025	
Elizabeth Smith**	Term 3 to 30 June 2024	
Jane Young**	Term 3 to 30 June 2024 (not term 2 as previously published)	
Vacant		
Ipswich (4)		
Vacant	Term 1 to 31 October 2025 – Harvey Crane resigned 3/1/24	3
Tim Newton	Term 2 to 31 October 2025	
Vacant		
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Rest of Suffolk and South Norfolk (5)		
John Alborough	Term 3 to 31 October 2025	2
Vacant	Term 1 from 5 December 2022 to 30 June 2024 – Trevor Catlow resigned 29/1/24	
Peter Coleman	Term 1 to 31 October 2025	
Gillian Orves*	Term 2 to 30 June 2024	
Helen Rose (Lead Governor)	Term 3 to 31 October 2025	

Staff governors (6 wef July 2024)

		Number of seats for election – new ESNEFT constituency
ESNEFT		5
Additional seat	Approved in the revised Trust Constitution 1/24 to recognise addition of community services	
Colchester and Essex (3)		
Vacant	To become ESNEFT	
Isaac Ferneyhough*	Term 2 to 30 June 2024 (to become ESNEFT)	
Pride Mukungurutse	Term 2 to 31 October 2025	
Ipswich and Suffolk (3)		
Abhijit Bose	Term 1 to 31 October 2025	
Gemma Bourne*	Term 1 to 30 June 2024 (to become ESNEFT)	
Allison Weston*	Term 2 from 6 December 2022 to 30 June 2024 (also served to 31 October 2022) (to become ESNEFT)	