

Board Meeting in Public Tuesday, 29 September 2026

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Presented for	☒ Approval ☐ Assurance		☒ Information ☐ Update	
Is there a plan to communicate this to the organisation?			☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Yet to be determined	
Executive Summary				
This report provides the Board with an update on corporate governance matters in NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT).				
Previously Considered by				
N/A				
Recommendation				
The Board is asked to note the report and to: Approve the appointment of Dr Jayan Parameshwar to the People Board Sub-Committee with effect from 1 October 2026.				
Risk(s) identified (Link to Board Assurance Framework Risks)				
BAF P11 Corporate Governance				
Strategic Objective(s) this paper relates to:				
☒ Collaborate with partners ☒ Invest in people and culture ☐ Drive innovation ☒ Modernise our operations ☐ Grow and diversify our donor base				
Appendices:				

1. Background

This report provides the Board with an update on Corporate Governance matters in NHSBT.

2. Board Level Policies

This meeting presents the following Board Level Policy for approval:

- BLP3 – Modern Slavery Statement and NHSBT Modern Slavery Policy (Supply Chain) (agenda item 4.2)

3. Board Resignation

Rachel Jones has tendered her resignation in relation to her Non-Executive Director role at NHSBT. Due to personal circumstances, she will leave the role on 30 September 2026.

4. NHSBT Board Sub-Committees

New Research and Development Board Sub-Committee

Proposed Terms of Reference for the new Research and Innovation Board Sub-Committee are presented under agenda item 5.1.1 for approval. The initial Non-Executive Director appointments to this Committee are under consideration.

People Committee

Subject to Board approval, it is proposed that Jayan Parameshwar be appointed to the People Committee with effect from 1 October 2026.

5. Fit and Proper Person Regulations

Annual checks for all Board members were completed at the end of July 2026 and the Chair and Senior Independent Director (in relation to the Chair) certify the conclusion of the annual process under the Fit and Proper Persons Testing Framework.