NOTICE OF ELECTION
FOR THE COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS OF THE AIREDALE NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

The Trust gives notice that it will hold elections to the Council of Governors of the Airedale NHS Foundation Trust.

Elections are to be held for the following positions:

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<td>2 Public Governors</td>
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A nomination form to stand for election to these positions can be obtained from the Returning Officer in the following ways:

- **Online**: www.ersvotes.com/airedale2017
- **Telephone**: 0208 889 9203
- **Email**: ciara.norris@electoralreform.co.uk
- **Text**: Text 2FT AD and your name and address to 88802
- **Post**: Electoral Reform Services Limited, The Election Centre, 33 Clarendon Road, London, NW8 0NW

All nomination papers should be received by the Returning Officer, Ciara Norris, at the address as detailed above, by 5pm on Monday 18 September 2017.

Should any nominee wish to withdraw their nomination, they must put this in writing to the returning officer by 5pm on Thursday 21 September 2017.

Ballot papers will be distributed to qualifying members on Friday 6 October 2017. Completed ballot papers must be received by the Independent Scrutineer by 5pm on Thursday 26 October 2017.

Please see over...
FAQs

What will be the time commitment of being a Governor?

Governors will need to attend Council of Governor meetings. Under the Constitution there will be at least four meetings each year. There are also monthly Governor network meetings, although these are not compulsory. You will need to attend training and update sessions. If you choose to be a member of a committee or other hospital group you will also need to undertake work and attend meetings as necessary.

Do members vote for all the candidates standing for election?

Members only vote for candidates standing for election in their own constituency i.e. the area in which they live or in the case of staff, the staff group to which they belong. Governors also can only stand for election for the constituency in which they live or in the case of staff, for the staff group to which they belong.

How long is the term of office of a governor?

Normally the term of office of a governor is three years however, earlier this year the Council of Governors approved a change to the size and composition of the Council. Approval was given to merge the Keighley West seat with the Worth Valley seat with effect from June 2019, when the current term of office for the Worth Valley governor concludes. This will mean the term of office for the Keighley West seat will be for the period up to May 2019.

The term of office for the remaining vacant governor seats of Rest of England and the staff seats will conclude in May 2020.

Can I still stand for election and vote if I am a member of another Foundation Trust e.g. Bradford Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust?

Yes. You can be a member of as many Foundation Trusts as you choose and can vote in all the elections. The only exclusion is that you cannot stand for election as a governor at Airedale NHS Foundation Trust if you are already a Foundation Trust governor at another Trust.

Can I have access to the public membership database?

No. Current data protection rules prevent us from sharing members’ details with prospective candidates.