

HIF Chair's Report

Since the last HIF Board Meeting I have attended a number of regular weekly catch-up meetings with the Managing Director. I have attended my regular monthly meetings with the Chair of HDFT and a joint update meeting with the HIF Managing Director and the Chair and Chief Executive of HDFT.

On 30th August I was delighted to join the HIF Managing Director in presenting a HIF Heroes award to the Domestic Team. On the same day, I attended a Meet & Greet session, which was less well attended than the previous Meet & Greet session but nonetheless presented a great opportunity for members of staff to raise issues with HIF Board Members if they wished.

HDFT Board Workshop

I attended the HDFT Board Workshop in Durham on 31st August, which was an opportunity to discuss the domiciliary care arrangements being considered by the Trust and also an opportunity to hear from the 0-19 teams based in and around Durham.

HIF Board Workshop

The HIF Board Workshop took place on 27th September. The main focus of the meeting was on Risk Management, including the Board's risk appetite and the creation of a functional and useful Board Assurance Framework (BAF). Members of the HIF senior team made a valuable contribution to the discussions.

Board Committees

On 11th October I attended the HIF People & Culture Committee and the Governance & Compliance Committee, both of which are the subject of separate reports to Board.