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## Samuel Newman

My name is Samuel Newman and I am a Staff Nurse in Intensive Care. I joined the Trust as a student nurse in 2008 and have been in my current role since 2012.

I am proud to be a member of an organisation that strives to provide excellent care for every patient it serves. As a Staff Governor, I would offer a passionate voice to represent hardworking staff members who are fundamental in providing this high – quality and compassionate care.

The NHS has been under great pressure in recent years to make significant savings while continuing to provide high standards of care. As a front-line healthcare worker, I am acutely aware of the effects that this pressure has had on patient experience and staff morale.

These efficiency savings are likely to continue in the near future. As a Governor, I would ensure that the Trust Board are well informed of the possible detrimental effects that any difficult decisions are likely to have on front-line care.

I feel that my enthusiasm to advocate for both patients and staff, coupled with my previous experience as a representative on the Nightingale Student Council, would make me an effective Staff Governor.

**Declaration of Interests:**

**Political Party:** Labour

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

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## James Pyke

As a Critical Care Nurse at GSTT, I have seen how vision and engagement of individuals can serve the greater good of a wider community. If elected a Governor, I will act on behalf of the Staff, Patients and Community to ensure a vision of high quality, patient-centred, care is the focus.

Having spent the last five years at GSTT, I have worked and trained in multiple specialities with differing aims and strategy. I will use this experience to develop strategies that see GSTT continually improving.

Not only employed by GSTT I also live locally, thus relying on GSTT for Healthcare Services. I will engage with Staff, Patients and Community to continue developing our Healthcare and futures alike.

**Declaration of Interests:**

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

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## Gwen Wilde

I work in the Surgical Admissions as a Staff Nurse. My nursing experience has included ward, pre assessment, operating theatre nursing and management of both a Day Procedure Centre and an Aged Care facility.

Getting involved and sharing decision making is important to me. I see the role of Governor as an opportunity to contribute to, influence and support decision making not only for our dedicated clinical staff but also the hospital and wider community ensuring the core values of the Trust are met.

I am currently involved in the planning process for the development of operating theatres and Surgical Admissions Lounge. I see this as an opportunity to be influential in a high quality project which will deliver a safe and efficient service for our surgical patients.

As I walk around the hospital and talk with people I see them smiling and enjoying our facilities. I often stop to talk with them and listen to their comments with interest.

My ability to build relationships and have an influence across many disciplines will assist my role as Governor ensuring that patients, staff and others are at the centre of all we do. I would be proud to be a Governor.

**Declaration of Interests:**

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

# candidates' election statements

## Election to the Council of Governors

### Staff: Clinical

Please read carefully before casting your vote.

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## Professor John Chambers

### Who am I?

I am a consultant cardiologist and Professor of Clinical Cardiology at Guy's and St Thomas' Hospitals.

### What is my experience?

I am a clinical cardiologist, but also research heart valve disease and new ways of delivering care. I have been president of two national professional societies governing echocardiography and valve disease. I serve on international committees setting standards for assessing heart valves.

### Why am I standing for governor now?

I have recently been able to reduce my regular sessions to open time for new work that builds on my NHS experience.

### What might I bring to the role?

- I am familiar with how the Trust functions at the clinical 'coal-face' giving insights into areas of potential change and growth.
- I have experience of coordinating a team of doctors, nurses and clinical scientists and would wish to represent broad multidisciplinary interests.
- I run pilot projects bridging the artificial divide between community and hospital which, with developments in IT, could allow clinical links between community centres and hospital departments.
- I would encourage patient-focused initiatives including one-stop tests.
- I would encourage international standards of clinical and organisational excellence to produce high-grade research and stimulate clinical referrals.

### Declaration of Interests:

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

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## Stephen Cutler

My name is Stephen Cutler, and I have been working at the Trust for the past eleven years. In that time I have seen many changes both personally and within the Trust. Because of the Trust I have been able to grow and succeed. I began on Gullan ward as a Health Care Assistant and then later Hillyers ward, where I seconded by the Trust to do my nurse training.

I qualified at Kings College London, graduating with a 2:1 Degree in Adult Nursing and chose to work on a busy plastic surgery ward for a year. After this I entered my current post in Intensive Care.

It is due to having such a wealth of experience in different areas and different positions that I feel I can project the most accurate representation of what it's like to work in such a good institution.

With your vote I will be able to take your opinions forward. Over the years I have learnt to listen to patients, staff and members of the public and understand them, and I want to continue to do this and to take this forward to make the right changes within the Trust

### Declaration of Interests:

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

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## Noreen Ging

I have clinical expertise obtained from both the paediatric and adult field of nursing spanning over two-decades within the NHS. I am a sister in the intensive care units working across site at Guys & St Thomas' where my primary interest remains in maintaining and improving the quality of care and patient experience and therefore I am an active key moving and handling trainer on the unit. I also spend a large part of my time as a recruitment lead within Critical care services.

I remain passionate about contributing positively on the Council of Governors and seek the opportunity to serve another term in office to continue to use my knowledge and experience of both front line care and staff management to benefit the whole hospital community and to champion best practice.

Being re-elected to the Council of Governors would further strengthen my personal development and indeed provide me with the continued opportunity to help others through this medium in conjunction with my nursing role.

### Declaration of Interests:

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

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## Dr Tony Hulse

Since 2007 I have been a Consultant Paediatrician, Diabetes and Endocrine specialist at the Evelina, though my association with St.Thomas' and Lambeth dates from my time as a student and junior doctor. Working with the Diabetes Modernisation Initiative funded by our Charity, we have transformed children's diabetes care. Previously a Consultant in Kent for 19 years, I was Clinical Director for Women and Children's Services for 9 years and also a Medical Director. I have also extensive research experience. And as a patient at St.Thomas', I myself know the value of quality care!

I wish to strengthen children's services provided through the Evelina and the community, believing we should realise our potential as the major provider of tertiary children's care for the South East, and beyond, but also provide innovative, outstanding secondary care for local families. I am firmly committed to 'networked care' and myself undertake outreach clinics at four hospitals.

As a Lambeth resident, I also believe the Trust should play a proactive role in issues affecting the lives of our local patients and staff and I take a particular interest in housing. GSTT has a powerful local voice and when appropriate, should not be afraid to use it.

### Declaration of Interests:

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

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## Dr Thomas Krasemann

I am a Consultant Paediatric Cardiologist and work at the Evelina since 2005. Beforehand, I worked in Germany, where I finished my paediatric training in 1998 before becoming a paediatric cardiologist. I have hence experiences in more than one health system, which might be beneficial for GSTT.

I have an interest in research and have published several papers in high ranked medical journals. I feel that I am well organised, but can improvise as well.

Communication is key – but as well the challenge – to running organisations like the Trust, and several viewpoints need to be taken into account. With me as a paediatrician on the council, the children's aspects will be represented. I think it is important to ensure that the views of specialised staff can influence the Trust for the benefit of our patients. With my experience in managing and organising on local levels I hope to contribute to the high level management, too, and help that the view towards solving difficulties on local or departmental level is maintained.

I am looking forward to contributing to the Trust as a Governor.

### Declaration of Interests:

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** None

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## Madeleine Murphy (nee Smith)

I am proud to have trained at Guy's and St. Thomas' and feel privileged to work in this international renowned Trust. If elected to the Council of Governors, I would seek to ensure continued improvement of services and standards for our patients and staff.

Whilst the Trust is under increasing pressure to provide high quality, but financially sustainable and efficient care, it is crucial that we stay focused on the needs of our patients and staff.

As a Clinical Nurse Specialist, I can act as an ambassador for members of staff and patients, providing a frontline perspective when representing their views and interests to the Board of Directors.

### Declaration of Interests:

**Political Party:** None

**Financial or other interest in the Trust:** Employed member of staff.