

Eligibility to be a Governor

The eligibility criteria below is taken from the Royal Devon's Constitution (paragraph 21) and all candidates in an election are required, when submitting their nomination, to declare they are eligible to stand. As this is a by-election for the Public Southern Constituency, anyone nominating themselves also needs to ensure they are a member of this Constituency, i.e. live in Exeter, Teignbridge, South Hams, Torbay or Plymouth – **see the map overleaf**.

Eligibility

- 21.1 A person may not become a Governor of the Trust, and if already holding such office, will immediately cease to do so, if:
- 21.1.1 Save for the Chair, they are a Director of the Trust, or a Governor or Director of another NHS Foundation Trust;
 - 21.1.2 they are under sixteen years of age;
 - 21.1.3 being a member of a public constituency, they are or were entitled to be a member of the staff constituency at any point during the preceding two years;
 - 21.1.4 they have been made bankrupt or their estate has been sequestrated and in either case they have not been discharged;
 - 21.1.5 they are a person in relation to whom a moratorium period under a debt relief order applies (under Part 7A of the Insolvency Act 1986)
 - 21.1.5 they have made a composition or arrangement with, or granted a Trust deed for, their creditors and have not been discharged in respect of it;
 - 21.1.6 they have within the preceding five years been convicted in the British Islands of any offence, if a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than three months (without the option of a fine) was imposed on them;
 - 21.1.7 they are the subject of a sex offender order;
 - 21.1.8 they have within the preceding two years been dismissed, otherwise than by reason of redundancy, from any paid employment with a health service body;
 - 21.1.9 they are a person whose tenure of office as the Chair or as a member or Director of a health service body has been terminated on the grounds that their appointment is not in the interests of the health service, for non-attendance at meetings, or for non-disclosure of a pecuniary interest;
 - 21.1.10 they have been removed from office as a Governor by any NHS Foundation Trust within the last five (5) years; or
 - 21.1.11 they are no longer a member of the Trust.

Please see over for the map of the Public Southern constituency

