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New Audit Chair for Trust

Keith Tallintire has joined South Tyneside NHS Foundation Trust as a Non Executive Director and Chair of its Audit Committee.

Mr Tallintire held a number of senior financial and board positions in the manufacturing sector before becoming Deputy Chief Executive/Director of Resources at North Durham-based social housing provider Derwentside Homes in 2006.

He is also Chief Executive of its commercial arm, Prince Bishops Homes, which he established in 2009 to provide an affordable route into home ownership. In 2011, he set up its social enterprise company, SHED, followed by the Smarterbuys Store, which allows people throughout the UK to buy new furniture, electrical items and white goods without getting into debt, and Silver Talk, a telephone befriending service for the elderly.

Mr Tallintire is an associate member of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants and Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply and a member of the Chartered Institute of Housing. He has previous experience in the NHS: he was a board member of NHS Durham Dales, Easington and Sedgfield Clinical Commissioning Group and, before that, he was a Non Executive Director of County Durham and Darlington Primary Care Trust.

Mr Tallintire said: "In my various roles, I seek to help local communities through job creation and promoting financial inclusion, which has a major impact on health and wellbeing. I am now looking forward to using my commercial expertise to achieve specific outcomes for the benefit of the population served by South Tyneside NHS Foundation Trust. Having previously worked with NHS commissioning organisations, it is particularly exciting for me to have the opportunity to work with an NHS provider, both of hospital and community services, given the close contact with patients and the public which that brings."

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Pictured above: Keith Tallintire, South Tyneside NHS Foundation Trust's Non Executive Director and Chair of the Audit Committee

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