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New Chairman for NHS Trust

South Tyneside NHS Foundation Trust has announced that its next Chairman will be Neil Mundy.

He will take over on January 1st 2016 from Peter Davidson, who has been Chairman of the Trust, which provides hospital services in South Tyneside and community services in South Tyneside, Sunderland and Gateshead, for almost 20 years.

He has extensive experience in both executive and non-executive roles in public, private and third sector organisations in the North East and London. He is currently a Non-Executive Director and Audit Committee Chair at Northumbria Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust.

Mr Mundy, who is a chartered public finance accountant with many years' experience in healthcare and economic regeneration, said: "South Tyneside is a very caring and progressive Trust, which shares the principles and values in which I strongly believe. I am very impressed at the way in which the Trust is addressing the growing needs of our ageing population by working in a broad partnership in the provision of health and social care. The construction currently taking place in the grounds of South Tyneside District Hospital of the Integrated Care Services Hub for older people, particularly those with dementia, is a prime example of that visionary and collaborative approach.

"It is a great privilege to be appointed as Chairman of the Trust in succession to Peter, who has achieved so much during his term in office. I am very much looking forward to working with the Board, Governors, and our staff. Together with our partners, we will ensure that the Trust continues to provide safe, sustainable patient care of the highest quality into the future."

Chief Executive Steve Williamson said: "Neil was an outstanding candidate and our Council of Governors were delighted to offer him the post. With his wealth of experience and knowledge, his guidance and support will be key as we work over the next few years to achieve our ambition to be recognised as the premier combined hospital, community and wellbeing provider in the North East."

Mr Davidson added: "I have known Neil for a number of years and we share a passion and commitment to delivering excellent services to our patients and supporting our colleagues who deliver them. He is a great appointment and brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Trust. We will be working closely together over the next few weeks."



Mr Mundy, who lives in Ellingham in Northumberland, is currently Vice Chair of the Joint Audit Committee for the Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable of Northumbria Police and is Senior Independent Trustee of Age UK Northumberland. He is also a senior partner in economic and management consultancy Ellingham Associates. His previous appointments include Director of Finance at One North East and Non-Executive Director and Chair of the Audit Committee at the Port of Tyne Authority. He was also Principal Finance Officer for a large London borough; held high levels positions with the Tyne and Wear Development Corporation and, as a senior management consultant, has advised on major city regeneration projects.

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Pictured above: South Tyneside NHS Foundation Trust Chief Executive Steve Williamson, right, with Neil Mundy, who will be the next Chairman of the Trust

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