

Dear Friends,

Annual General Meeting:

The AGM this year will take place on Wednesday April 24th at 7.30pm. Venue: Meeting Hall, Stamford Hospital. Doors open from 7.00pm.

The agenda, minutes of the last meeting and accounts for 2018 will be available on the day.

Our speaker this year is Dr Emilia Wawrzkowicz, Consultant Paediatrician at the North West Anglia NHS Foundation Trust.

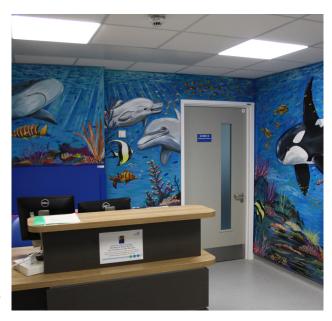
The title of her talk is: "Have we all gone nuts?"



Emilia has been a consultant in our Trust for several years. She has a particular interest in allergy, hence the title of her talk. She is also the designated doctor for safeguarding children in the Trust and has become well know regionally and nationally for championing the welfare of children. She is an excellent speaker and I am sure her talk will be of great interest.

Stamford Hospital:

We continue to provide funds for those extras that help make the Hospital so very special. Particularly recently to provide mobility aids and cardiac monitoring equipment for the Van Geest ward, which remains a busy and very well used facility. We are grateful to the Burghley House Preservation Trust for generously providing the money for the monitoring equipment. And perhaps our most striking donation was for the redecoration of the paediatric waiting area with a sea mural.

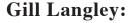


We continue to be represented on the advisory group that meets to discuss the future of Stamford Hospital. It is clear that the Hospital is very much a part of the long term future of the Trust, as is evident in the recent substantial investment in

refurbishment and equipment.

Susan Brooks:

We are very sorry that Susan Brooks, the Matron of Stamford Hospital, will be leaving in May. She is retiring after a long and highly successful NHS career. She has been an inspirational figure in her 10 years at Stamford, always promoting the future of the Hospital and the development of its services. She has also been the key person in developing the Hospital museum, an initiative that the Friends have been eager to support. We wish her a very fulfilling retirement.





We will also be sorry to lose Gill Langley from our committee. She joined the Friends' committee in 1981 when she was appointed Matron of the Hospital and has been a member ever since. She is standing down at the AGM and we will greatly miss her unstinting support and enthusiasm for the Hospital.

We look forward to seeing you at the AGM and do bring along friends and/or family, particularly if they are interested in becoming members.

Michael Dronfield

Chairman, Friends of Stamford Hospital.