

**TO: GLOUCESTERSHIRE PARTNERSHIP TRUST BOARD**

**FROM: DIRECTOR OF SERVICE DEVELOPMENT**

**DATE: 9<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2006**

**RE: FOUNDATION TRUST APPLICATION UPDATE**

## **1. SECRETARY OF STATE'S DECISION**

- 1.1 At the point of writing no decision has been communicated from the Secretary of State about the Trust's application for Foundation Trust status.
- 1.2 Once the Department of Health has notified Monitor as to which applicants have received the Secretary of State's support, Monitor will be in contact with those Trusts to outline their assessment process.
- 1.3 Ahead of that contact, the Department of Health has been asked by Monitor to advise Trusts of a meeting for all applicants on 30 January 2006. The meeting will allow an early opportunity for questions and discussion with Monitor on its assessment and authorisation process. Invitations are extended to Chairs, Chief Executives and Directors of Finance.
- 1.4 The Trust has received the final version of the model contract for mental health trusts from the Department of Health and a contractual format for Mandatory Services from Monitor.

## **2. PROSPECTIVE GOVERNORS**

The Trust has organised meetings for prospective Governors as follows:

Gloucester Guildhall – 7pm 11<sup>th</sup> January  
Stroud Subscription Rooms - 2pm 12<sup>th</sup> January  
Sandford Education Centre, Cheltenham - 2pm 16<sup>th</sup> January

## **3. RECOMMENDATION**

The Trust Board is asked to note this report