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There are 19 elected governors on the Council of

Governors. The remaining governors are appointed by other organisations such as Cambridge City Council or the University of Cambridge.

Of the elected governors:

- eight are from the patient membership
- seven are from the public membership
- four are from the staff membership

Governors are normally elected for a term of three years, however some governors may a serve shorter term if they are replacing a governor who has stood down early. The elections are staggered so each year approximately one third of the governors in each constituency are up for elections.

If the number of candidates in a particular membership constituency is equal to or less than

the number of vacancies, the candidates are elected unopposed. If the number of candidates exceeds the number of vacancies, an election is held.

If an election is held ballot papers are sent (hard copy or electronically) to all members in the particular constituency. Each member will receive one vote per vacancy in their constituency. At the conclusion of the ballot, the highest scoring candidate/s will be elected to the Council of Governors. If one or more of vacancies has arisen due to a governor standing down early, the highest scoring successful candidates will receive the longest terms. For example, 3 vacancies in the public constituency, 1 due to a governor reaching the end of their term of office and 2 due to governors resigning due to moving out of the public constituency (one with two years remaining and one with one). The high scoring candidate would receive a full three year, the second highest scoring candidate the two year term and the third highest scoring the one year term.

If you would like to vote in the Council of Governor elections you need to become a member by Wednesday 24 April, join here. It's free and your chance to have a say in who will represent your views at Board level.