



Redevelopment of Shotley Bridge Community Hospital

Progress Update

Adults Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee – February 2023

Reminder - Project Principles

- Clinically led
- Ongoing patient and public engagement
- Honesty and transparency
- Ongoing stakeholder involvement
- Working as part of the County Durham system
- Future proofing model of care and estate solutions



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Clinical Model

| Service | Model | Changes to existing |
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| Outpatients/Specialist outpatients | Specialty, community and visiting OP services. Minor Ops, ophthalmology and audiology | All existing OP clinics will continue. Minor Ops – e.g. skin procedures |
| Family Health | Ante and post natal clinics, sexual health, gynae clinics and procedures | Increased capacity for gynae procedures – addn colposcopy provision |
| Urgent Treatment Centre | 24/7 provision as per current model. | Retain existing model –part of emergency care system resilience. 2 additional UTC rooms |
| Rehabilitation/therapies | Continuation of current services | All therapies will be housed within single department |
| Diagnostics | X Ray, Ultrasound, Echocardiography | Increase in Echocardiography provision. Area created for mobile CT/MRI |
| Inpatient rehabilitation | Mainly step down from acute, option for step up from community. Total 16 beds | Originally 8 commissioned, increased to 16 and planned to maintain that capacity |
| Chemotherapy and Medical day Units | Separate clinical departments. Increased Chemo from 8 to 14 treatment bays. Additional MDU capacity to relieve acute pressures | Additional Chemo bays – most established therapy moved to community. Separate units – IP&C |



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- Partnership Agreement agreed between NHP/Trust/Contractor
- Reserved matter planning application submitted 11th November 2022
- Outline Business Case (OBC) submitted to NHP 13th January 2023
- Outline business case submitted to NHSE 17th January 2023
- Major design process closed out
- Project team – now fully established
- Communications strategy developed



Projected Timelines

- OBC submitted, anticipated approval March/April 2023
- Expected feedback on Planning end February 2023
- Pending feedback on OBC, work to commence on preparing the FBC for submission Sept/Oct 2023
- On site remediation March/April 2023
- Construction start November/December 2023
- Completion early 2025



Design Development



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Design Development

- Completion of 1:50 design phase
- Security strategy – internal and external
- Commencement of detail internal requirements – finishes
- Dementia friendly environments
- Wayfinding and signage
- Fixtures, fittings and equipment schedule currently being reviewed
- Media locations – linked to the digital strategy
- Visuals and environment – linked to the art strategy



Communications so far:

- Regular bi-monthly meetings with local councillors
- Regular bi-monthly face to face meetings with the Shotley Bridge Hospital Support Group.
- Staff drop-in sessions with Comms Lead
- Setting up “the new hospital hub” in main reception at SBH with latest information on the new build
- A dedicated email address cddft.shotleyhospital@nhs.net for a point of contact is now live.
- Completion of the communication plan mapping out various stages of engagement.



Communications next steps:

- Visuals with information displayed in local hot-spots such as community centres, leisure centres
- Develop Art Strategy to help enhance patient and staff experience
- Set up a panel of external and internal partners to advise on the internal aesthetics for the look and feel for the new build, colour schemes and décor.
- Reinvigorate the Patient Forum
- Connect with community centres, leisure centres, libraries, local businesses and large supermarkets to identify 'Community Champions' to help grow engagement.
- Strategy for the name of the new hospital.
- Produce a video introducing the Project Team to staff and residents.



Social and Economic Value

- SBCH development adopted as an anchor institution working with local partners –below are a few examples of programme initiatives
- Contractor commitment to enhance local economy through selective sub-contracting
- Contractor commitment to offering training and employment opportunities to local students and communities
- Local business networking – joint events with contractor, Business Durham, Chamber of Commerce jointly with CDDFT and supply chain
- T-Level Placement through New College Durham and contractor delivering digital construction courses
- County Durham Together initiative, forging relationships with third sector and other partners to enhance opportunities for collaboration



QUESTIONS



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