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By email

Dear Councillors

We are reaching a key milestone in our journey towards building a new Airedale hospital so wanted to let you know about the plans for work that is needed to support the new hospital.

Preparatory work

The Trust is currently working at pace on the second stage of our journey to the new hospital, which is getting the site ready. This includes developing plans for building a **new multi-storey car park, access road, and an electricity substation**, which are all needed to support the new hospital. We are also planning to move our nursery to a new location on the hospital site. This is because the current nursery is in the area where the new hospital needs to be built. Details of these works, including artist impressions, are in the enclosed leaflet.

Our commitment to involving local communities

This is a new hospital for all our patients, staff and local communities so we want to make sure everyone has chance to help shape the plans. During this year, we have been talking to people about parking at the hospital site and what is important to consider when developing the plans for the new hospital car park. We have listened closely to what people told us and, where planning and technical regulations allow, we have included as many of the suggestions as possible. This autumn we also met with local residents to talk about the other work needed, including building the substation and moving the nursery.

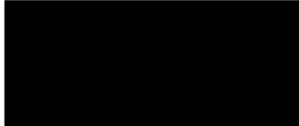
Now we are asking for feedback on the plans we have developed, so we can consider and address any issues people want to raise before we submit planning applications. We are holding a series of roadshows in local community venues to share the plans and get people's feedback, details of which are available on our website. There is also an exhibition of the plans at the hospital until Friday 13 December. This is located at the drop off and collection entrance 3, Zone C.

People can share their feedback through an online [survey](#) on our website and we will be visiting residents in the streets surrounding the hospital to answer any questions they may have and get their comments.

Working with you

We appreciate the Committee's ongoing support for the new hospital and would like to thank you for the recent letter you sent to the Health Secretary expressing this. These works are the first tangible step towards building the new hospital and we look forward to discussing the plans at your meeting on 12 December. In the meantime, if you have any questions or would like more information, please don't hesitate to contact us at anhsft.yournewhospital@nhs.net.

With best wishes



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