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Dear Neighbour

November 2020 update on the development of Poole Hospital

My name is Debbie Fleming and I'm the Chief Executive of University Hospitals Dorset. I am writing to you as our neighbour to provide you with an update on a major construction project about to begin on the Poole Hospital site.

The project is part of an overall £250m reorganisation of NHS services across Dorset. It will see Poole Hospital become the main centre for planned treatment in east Dorset, whilst at the same time the Royal Bournemouth Hospital becoming the centre for emergency care. The scheme at Poole Hospital will see the construction of a new state-of-the-art theatre complex, development of a new Urgent Treatment Centre, expansion of our outpatient, cancer and diagnostic services, as well as the addition of a new community hub. The construction work begins in November 2020 with overall completion planned for early 2023.

Our principal partner for this extensive project is Integrated Health Projects (IHP). They were established in 2003 to bring together the combined expertise and stability of VINCI and Sir Robert McAlpine. IHP focuses on the delivery of healthcare infrastructure schemes and are an active member of the Considerate Constructors Scheme. Members of this Scheme commit to cause the least amount of undue disturbance, inconvenience, or stress for neighbours during the construction period - for example, by minimising the impact of deliveries, parking and work on any public highway as well as ensuring most of the works are undertaken during working hours.

You will find attached to this letter a newsletter designed to give you 'at a glance' information about the project, and we hope this will be helpful. This first edition provides details of the site set up, service diversions, enabling works and demolition timetable.

We understand that you may have concerns about potential noise or disruption as the project develops, and as such, we have included the contact details for our team within the document. Hopefully, this will assist in maintaining good communications.

Looking back over the past few months, we have been uplifted by all the messages of thanks from our neighbours and local community. Please be assured that we shall continue to do everything possible to minimise disruption as we take forward this major development programme.

In closing, I hope that this letter is helpful in keeping you up-to-date. Please do keep in touch as we move on with our implementation plans - you can contact me at debbie.fleming@uhd.nhs.uk

Best wishes

Debbie Fleming
Chief Executive