

Investing in Poole Hospital

Welcome to the latest edition of our construction newsletter, in which we aim to keep our neighbours and the local community informed on the upcoming construction works at Poole Hospital.

What's happening?

Following the last newsletter, a great deal has been happening behind the scenes as the IHP team have started the demolition process, been measuring and identifying 'lines of sight' (so new buildings are in the

correct position) as well as removing items and fittings that are no longer required. We have also been in discussion with the team in the hospital's Portland ward to make sure the courtyard area (which is used by their long-term patients), is maintained during the adjacent construction period.

May to July 2021

- demolition of external buildings linked to the new theatre build project
- rerouting power supplies, essential ducting, and drainage to allow vital activities to continue
- breaking up of hard materials such as concrete and any road surfacing ('breaking out')
- removal of demolition materials to waste recycling sites
- detailing and refinement for the internal fit out
- procurement of sub-contractors and suppliers of materials for the main build

Safety is paramount and the trust and IHP have collaborated to minimise risks to all parties, including changes to fire routes, set up works hoarding and security with specific 'construction only' access, and redirection for hospital operation externally and internally.



Building community engagement

The UHD estates and IHP project teams have established a successful partnership with Bournemouth and Poole College to consider the best way to provide students with trade experience during the construction project. Due to the current Covid-19 restrictions, discussions are focused on how to use interactive technologies to run virtual events, as well as how to showcase 'active live modelling'.

Looking ahead, the hope is that we will be able to provide some of the students with opportunities for 30 hours or 45 days of work experience later in the year. Areas under consideration include carpentry, painting and decoration, plumbing, electrical and flooring skills.

Construction traffic

As the site gets busier there will be increased activity of large vehicles involved in materials movement off site. To minimise disruption and to manage the access and egress of these vehicles there will be trained traffic marshalls and 'banksmen' on the main site entrance during key times.

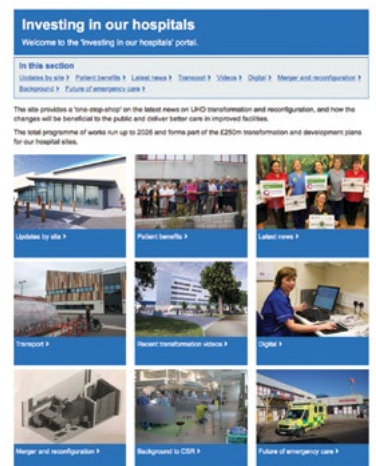
New information boards erected

During March two large information boards were erected on the Poole site showcasing the future developments for the hospital. The posters were unveiled by Jackie Coles, deputy chief operating officer together with Stuart Mondon, capital projects manager, Stuart Dixon from IHP (principal contractor), as well as Eren Husseyin, from our pathology team who is featured in the design. You can read more about our plans here: www.uhd.nhs.uk/uploads/about/docs/future/Our_Vision_for_the_Future_Poole.pdf.



New 'Investing in our Hospitals' portal launched

UHD have just launched a new section on their website providing a 'one-stop-shop' on the latest news on UHD transformation and reconfiguration, and how the changes will be beneficial to the public and deliver better care in improved facilities. The portal provides updates by site, details of patient benefits and all the transformation news. You can find it on the home page of the website here: www.uhd.nhs.uk



We apologise for the disruption these building works may cause and thank you for your support. If you have any questions or comments, or if you wish to receive future newsletters by mail, please contact us via the following email: Poolebuild@uhd.nhs.uk