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Dear Neighbour

January 2022: Update on the development of the Royal Bournemouth Hospital site

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 the major construction project currently underway on the Royal Bournemouth Hospital (RBH) site.

The project is part of an overall £250m reorganisation of NHS services across Dorset. It will see RBH become the main centre for emergency care, whilst at the same time Poole Hospital will become the main centre for planned treatment in the region. The scheme will see the construction of The BEACH Building (standing for Births, Emergency care, And, Critical care and child Health), housing a new a new emergency department, maternity and children's unit and critical care unit. Other developments include a purpose-designed pathology hub providing a modern, flexible testing capacity. The construction work is already underway with completion planned for 2024.

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, like other constructors we use, active members 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 transformation of the RBH site, and we hope this will be helpful. This first edition provides details of The BEACH Building site set up, the recent 'groundbreaking' ceremony as well as site safety and other major construction projects underway.

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 year, 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