



Your Trust News

Newsletter for the members of Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

New name for super hospital

The brand new acute hospital currently under construction at the Edith Cavell site now has a brand new name, after the result of a special public naming competition with Trust members was announced.

Peterborough's new hospital will now be known as Peterborough City Hospital, a name chosen by competition winners Mrs Barbara Mann of Barnack, Mr Stuart Phillips of Langtoft and Mr Richard Hall of Peterborough. A shortlist of suggestions were considered by a panel of Trust Governors and members of the Trust Executive.

Jonathan Radway, Interim Chairman of Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, said: "I would like to thank everyone who took part in the competition, we had some really good entries and it wasn't easy to decide a winner. As this is a once in a generation opportunity we decided to pick all three winners who submitted the chosen name and we look forward to seeing them at the

opening ceremony.

"We liked the idea of a name that succinctly captures the function of the building and its location and 'Peterborough City Hospital' does this superbly."

In addition, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust have announced the name for the new Mental Health Unit, also under construction at the Edith Cavell site, which will be called the 'New Gloucester Unit'. The hospital and mental health unit are part of the £335 million Greater Peterborough Health Investment Plan (GPHIP) together with Peterborough Primary Care Trust's City Care Centre, which is under construction near the District Hospital.

For the latest construction and project updates visit

www.peterboroughandstamford.nhs.uk

and click on News, then GPHIP.



Progress Health



Don't miss the NHS 60th anniversary celebrations at the Trust's hospitals!

Peterborough District Hospital: Sunday 6 July 11am – 3pm

Stamford Hospital: Saturday 5 July 11am – 3pm

For more information about the event, call 01733 875201

Message from Nik Patten



Dear Member,

Welcome to the summer issue of Your Trust News.

This issue comes at an exciting time for the Trust. As well as a new name for the acute hospital on the Edith Cavell site, which will be called Peterborough City Hospital, the Trust has also appointed a new Chairman, Mr Nigel Hards. Nigel is a skilled and experienced leader and is the ideal person to help us implement the Trust's 2013 strategy. By 2013 we intend for the Trust to be a major healthcare provider in the east of England that is best for patients and great to work for, and we look forward to welcoming Nigel to the Trust.

The Trust has performed very well so far this year and our performance against major national targets has been very good. Our patients are consistently being diagnosed, treated and cared for efficiently and effectively, and we now need this excellent work to continue throughout the year. It is vital we continue to meet local targets as well as national targets and I am positive everyone across the Trust will work hard to ensure this continues.

It is disappointing to report that the Trust has had to launch an internal review into the

administrative management of a patient waiting list – however, no patients have been adversely affected. The investigation follows the discovery of an anomaly with an outpatient booking process for elective (non emergency) appointments. The Foundation Trust regulator, Monitor, has been informed and we are currently in the process of reminding members of staff of the vital need to follow Trust waiting list policies. We will provide updates regarding the investigation as we are able to.

We have also received feedback from visits of both the Strategic Health Authority (SHA) and the Healthcare Commission around our Infection Control and Prevention policies and procedures. I know how diligent all staff are regarding infection control and it was excellent to receive the acknowledgment that we are among the cleanest hospitals the SHA has inspected.

Thank you for your continued interest and support as a member of the Trust.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nik Patten". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Nik Patten
Chief Executive

Annual Public Meeting

The Trust's Annual Public Meeting will be held on 25 September at 5pm at Peterborough United Football Club. There will be an opportunity to ask any questions that you would like answered, as well as a review of the last six months and a presentation of the annual report and accounts for 2007/08.

To book your place now, please register by calling 01733 875424.

Amazon appeal

An appeal from Amazon Ward for donations to buy fold-out parents' beds got off to a fantastic start after a £3,000 donation from a sponsored football match.

The match between the Posh Legends and Marshall Peterborough was sponsored by Woodcock Holmes Estate Agents. Money was raised by charging a £1 entrance fee, holding a raffle and from contributions from Woodcock Holmes and Ethlin Property Development.

Having fold-up beds in Amazon Ward means parents can stay in hospital overnight with their children. Sue Hartley, Matron for Children's Services, said: "If their parents are there the children are usually less anxious about being in hospital. Their recovery tends to be quicker and they are less stressed

about their treatment.

"We are overwhelmed by the generosity and continued support of the Posh Legends and their sponsors."

If companies or individuals would like to make a donation, they should contact Sue directly on 01733 874188.



Local companies donate money to Amazon Ward

Welcome to new Trust Chairman



The Trust has appointed a new Chairman, Mr Nigel Hards, who will take up the position from 01 July 2008.

Mr Hards runs his own management consultancy business and has more than 30 years' senior executive experience in the leisure and financial services industries.

He said: "I am delighted to have been appointed as the new Chairman of Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals and I would like to thank the Board of Governors and the hard work and dedication of the previous Chairman, Dr Clive Morton.

"The Trust is a progressive and ambitious organisation at the heart of Greater Peterborough and its local communities and I am very much looking forward to helping the Trust to deliver its strategy to be a major healthcare provider in eastern England that is best for patients and great to work for."

Peter Morrison, Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors, said: "I am very pleased to welcome Nigel Hards as the Trust's new Chairman. We are pleased to have been able to appoint such an experienced and skilled new Chairman from a high calibre of candidates."

Meet your new governors

In September 2007, eight new public governors and three new staff governors were elected to the Trust. Here is an introduction to three of our public governors.



Robert Alderton
(PUBLIC GOVERNOR)

Robert has been a Foundation Trust public member for the past two years and has thirty years' experience in NHS senior management.

Following retirement, Robert spent four years setting up a hospice in a neighbouring county and was a consultant for several other hospice projects. He is particularly interested in the development of hospital and community care for the elderly and terminally ill.



Margaret Anderson
(PUBLIC GOVERNOR)

Margaret is a Chartered Accountant, a member of the Women's Institute and has been Treasurer for the Lincolnshire South Federation of Women's Institutes for many years.

She believes it is essential that residents of Stamford and the surrounding villages can receive treatment locally wherever possible. Margaret's professional skills, knowledge of Stamford Hospital and other major hospitals, and lobbying experience ensure she will act as an impartial decision maker.



Dorian East
(PUBLIC GOVERNOR)

Dorian is a member of the Cambridgeshire Clinical Priorities Forum and the Trust's Public and Patient Involvement Committee.

His local and regional knowledge of the NHS means he has a good understanding of the challenges facing the Trust and an appreciation of new services required.

Dorian's strong financial and business background will be key in developing the role of governors, so they become key to the maintenance and expansion of services.

:: Members involvement ::

Thank you to everyone who returned the form sent out last year and expressed an interest in becoming more involved in the Trust's hospitals. We will be contacting you in due course with invitations for specific involvement.

Audio CDs available

Plans for District Hospital site

Plans are underway to explore development options for the District Hospital site when Peterborough City Hospital opens in Bretton in 2010.

The Trust has appointed commercial property consultants, King Sturge, to lead the project, which is expected to take around 18 months.

Christopher Hall, Finance Director, said: "We are delighted to have appointed King Sturge, who will liaise with partners, including Peterborough City Council, to explore all the development options.

"The Trust needs to generate income from the development of the District Hospital site

to help pay for the new acute hospital.

"We are in the early stages, but it is an exciting time for the city and together with our partners, we hope to find a good solution."



Bowls Club returns donation after 24 years

When the Friends of Peterborough Hospital donated £1,000 to Peterborough Hospital Bowls Club in 1984 they never expected to receive the money back 24 years later!

Mrs Violet Gribbin, Bowls Club Secretary, said: "There were no facilities when the Bowls Club opened in 1974. The money meant we

could build a bowls pavilion to put clothes and equipment and to make cups of tea.

"Over the years we held sponsored events and saved the money in a special account. Although the Club closed in 2007, we wanted to show our appreciation to the Friends by donating the money back to them.

Susan Mahmoud, Chair of Friends of Peterborough Hospitals, said: "We were pleased to donate funds to the Bowls Club in 1984 and are touched that they have raised the same amount to give back to us in 2008.

"All donations received by the Friends are used to provide services and equipment for Peterborough Hospitals so this money will continue to benefit patients and staff."



Susan Mahmoud (centre) receives a cheque from members of Peterborough Hospital Bowls Club)

Meetings in Public 2008

Board of Directors' meeting dates

Tuesday 5 August – 2pm
Committee Room,
Edith Cavell Hospital

Board of Governors' meeting dates

Wednesday 9 July – 6pm
The Cresset, Bretton Centre

Annual Members' Meeting

Thursday 25 September –
5.00pm
Peterborough Football Club

Meeting feedback

Since the last Your Trust News we have held three meetings in public; the Board of Governors on 8 April, the inaugural Annual Members' Meeting on 17 April and the Board of Directors on 6 May. Thank you to everyone who attended these events.

Jonathan Radway, as Interim Chairman, chaired the Board of Governors meeting on 8 April. The meeting included a presentation regarding the Whitehead Mann Board Evaluation Report, and feedback from governors who attended Monitor's Governors conference and other meetings and events. The Governors were updated on the process for the appointment of the Trust Chairman, which was ratified at an extraordinary meeting on 29 April.

The Annual Members' Meeting at Peterborough Town Hall was extremely successful with around 75 Foundation Trust members in attendance. Members were invited to view information displays and to network informally with governors, executive and non executive directors. The governors and Nik Patten then hosted a question and answer session. An Annual Members' meeting is also planned in Stamford for November 2008 – details will be released in due course.

The Board of Directors met at Stamford

Hospital on 6 May, chaired by Jonathan Radway. Matters discussed were the appointment of Stamford Hospital Project Manager, Sue Friend, and the work she will be undertaking during the next six months, as well as a generally positive submission to the Healthcare Commission's Annual Health Check. The Board also discussed and clarified that Patient Safety is the Trust's number one priority.

We look forward to seeing you at our NHS is 60 Anniversary celebrations on 5 and 6 July, the upcoming public meetings and hope to see lots of members at our Annual Public Meeting on 25 September at Peterborough United Football Club.

Members' ideas in action

Two ideas raised by members at the Annual Members' meeting on 17 April were for a 30-minute period of free parking for those bringing relatives or friends to hospital; and a pay-as-you-leave parking system to cover actual time parked, rather than the current system of pay and display. Both ideas are being reviewed by the project team for the new hospital.

Our thanks for these suggestions, suggestions for service improvements can also be made direct to our Patient Advice & Liaison Service on 01733 875847.

Award for Trust Glaucoma team

The Trust's glaucoma community screening programme recently beat strong competition to come third place in the Allergan Glaucoma Achievement Awards.

The national awards recognise excellence in the management of glaucoma, the second largest cause of registered blindness in the UK. The Trust's team received £3,000 which will be invested in new technology to help patients.

The Trust's community screening programme, launched in 2005 between the Trust and Peterborough Primary Care Trust, has successfully improved the quality of glaucoma care by offering patients the choice of being screened at community optometrists rather than coming to hospital. This has reduced initial assessment waiting times and ensures more hospital appointments are available to patients with higher risk problems.



Susana Ramirez-Florez (centre, black dress) and representatives from the Peterborough glaucoma scheme with David Trevor (far right) from Allergan.

Susana Ramirez-Florez, consultant ophthalmologist and clinical lead for the scheme, said: "The team has worked hard to improve the quality of care for glaucoma patients and thoroughly deserves to be recognised in these prestigious awards. It is a great honour to be acknowledged as one of the leading innovative projects in the country. The programme has proved to be highly successful and feedback from patients has been very positive."

Developments at Stamford hospital

This year has been an exciting one so far for Stamford Hospital. Following the £463,000 investment in medical equipment and buildings maintenance last year, several projects are now nearing completion.

As well as a new, permanent £30,000 MRI interface, which enables mobile MRI scanners to link into the hospital's IT and communication systems, 17 clinic rooms have been



modernised and a new examination room has been created.

An upgrade of the reception and new flooring in the Outpatients department has also been completed at a cost of £10,000.

Mandy Renton, General Manager for Stamford Hospital, said: "We are very pleased with this progress, which is complementing the ongoing joint project with our GP partners in the Wellcomm Group. The refurbishment will create a better environment for patients and the new MRI interface signals our commitment to run diagnostics from Stamford."

Trust welcomes VIP guests

The Trust has recently had visits to its hospitals from two high-profile guests.

The first visit was in May from Stewart Jackson MP, to celebrate the opening of a new Transitional Care Unit, based at Peterborough Maternity Unit.

The Transitional Care Unit contains ten beds and has been designed for mothers with babies who require some extra care after giving birth but who are not ill enough to be admitted to the Neonatal Unit.

Sam Hunt, Assistant General Manager for



MDHU staff chat to Derk Twigg in A&E
Photo by Peterborough Evening Telegraph

Family and Public Health, said: "The Unit will care for babies who may have problems feeding or perhaps need some extra care after birth.

The advantage of Transitional Care is that mums stay with their babies and help with their care.

Stewart Jackson, MP, said: "I am delighted to recognise the success of the new Unit



Stewart Jackson meets patients and staff at the Transitional Care Unit. Photo by Peterborough Evening Telegraph

and congratulate the Trust on its innovative approach. I look forward to coming back and seeing the unit going from strength to strength."

Under Secretary for State for Defence, Derek Twigg, also visited the Ministry of Defence Hospital Unit (MDHU) in June, which incorporated a visit to the Trust. He was welcomed by MDHU and Trust staff as part of a tour of a city-wide tour to meet the city's cadets, territorial and regular army soldiers and medical personnel.

As well as receiving briefings on the MDHU and holding discussions with the Trust's CEO, Mr Twigg was shown around both A&E and the Medical Admissions Unit at Peterborough District Hospital.

Squadron Leader Andy Evans said: "We were delighted to show Mr Twigg around the Trust. As well as seeing military staff at work in an NHS environment, he also had the opportunity to talk to members of staff who have recently been deployed, or are due to be deployed, to countries such as Afghanistan."

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