



Northumbria Healthcare
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New Berwick community hospital

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Current situation

- Firm commitment to build a £25 million new hospital
- The new 'stand alone' hospital will be built on the Infirmary site
- We will retain current services that the Trust provide
- There will be an endoscopy suite in the new build

Where we are

- Multi-disciplinary project board in place which meets monthly
- Regular staff briefings
- Stakeholder conversations ongoing – GPs, Newcastle Hospitals, other provider organisations
- Reviewing previous plans
- Considering what else can be provided safely
- Looking at decant plans so services continue to be provided throughout the build

We are committed to...

- Providing as many services as we can at Berwick
- Reducing the need to travel for minor or routine appointments – ‘miles less travelled’ metric
- Building a first class, future proofed new hospital which will embrace new technology
- Improving internal systems so that Berwick appointments are offered first – as long as this is clinically the right thing to do

Next steps

- Agree build partner
- Agree time line for the build
- Having a continuous conversation with staff and the public
- Further engagement re plans